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Dated 8th February 1932.

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General Letter to the Company, Dated October 17, 1746. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol 16, pp. 1-5.*]

To the Honourable the Court of Directors
for affairs of the Honourable the United Company
of Merchants of England
Trading to the East Indies.

Honourable

The Unfortunate Occasion of this Unexpected Address from us is to advise your Honours of the Loss of your valuable settlement of Madrass which to our Unspeakable Concern is now in the possession of our Enemys the French. As the Gentlemen there seem to think the abs[ence] of his Majesties squadron (which they no doubt depended upon for Assurance) greatly conduced to this Misfortune, We shall give an Account [of] what we know for certainty of their Motions only; and leave your Ho[nours] to form Judgement without presuming to give any of our own.

The 29th. April Mr. Barnet departed this Life at [this] Place when all the ships were here or near us, but the Winchester [Lord] Thomas Bertie who was Expected daily from Bombay and arrived [the] 25th. May. from which time Captain Peyton who then commanded [the] squadron as Senior Captain determined on going to refit his ship the Medway which was very leakey at Trancomalay Bay, on the Islands of Zeylone and to take the whole squardon with him. The 30th. your Honours ship the Princess Mary arrived on whom we had Orders to s[end] to Madrass what Bales we had ready and to receive from Lord Thomas Bertie sixty (60) chests of Treasure brought from Bombay on your Honours account, to keep what we wanted for the Use of this settlement and to send the remainder on the Princess Mary but not to detain her longer in our Road than the squadron staid there In pursuance of which we [have] kept sixteen (16) Chests here and loaded the remainder on that ship and prevailed on Captain Payton to stay till the 9th. June, but it hapning to blow very fresh at that time we coud not load more than Two hundred and Twenty two (222) Bales, which as it has since proved was [very] fortunate. The 9th she sailed for Madrass under Convoy of his Majesties ship the Lively as did the rest of the squadron for Trancomalay. On the 17th. Captain Payton wrote Mr. Hinde from Negapatam that as they were Just got to the Bay, the Preston's Bow sprit was sprung and she cou'd Carry no sail, for [which] reason they were oblig'd to Bare away for that Place in order to refit her and than [to proceed for] Trincomalay. On the 25th. at day Break fr[om the] Mast head [in Negap]atam Road they [made] several ships [in . . .] out and [found them to] be (9) Nine French ships but the Winds being very light, they cou'd not get up with each other till half past four in the Evening, at which time a[n] Engagement began and lasted till about seven when it grew dark, the next Morning they were near one another and continued so all the day, At Fo[ur] in the afternoon Captain Peyton summoned a Council of Warr, where it was agreed not to Engage the Enemy but to proceed for Trancomalay Bay, [as] the French did for Pondicherry and arrived there the 27th. In the English squadron where fourteen killed and Forty six wounded, but not One killed or hurt on the Medway. On the French side we cannot learn the[se] particulars for any Certainty. Their squadron consisted of the Achilles [a] seventy Gun ship, six company's ships and Two Country ships. The Achilles with three of them left Europe together in April was Twelve Months. Two of them were returning ships detained at the Islands for this Purpose and all Reinforced as much as they coud there, Captain Peyton kept the squadron at Trancomalay till the beginning of August when he came on the Coast and appeared off Negapatam the 6th. The French squadon consisting of Eight ships (One being

gone to Bengal and is since lost in that River with two hundred & Eighty (280) Europeans) Weighed from Pondicherry the 24th. July for the southward, and [was] then in that Road, stood out to meet the English squadron which stood the southward from them, and the French then returned, the 7th. both squadrons did the same, as likewise the 8th. and 9th. The 10th. the English disappeared on which the French returned, and on the 13th. Anchored in Pondicherry Road. The 17th. the Eight ships Weighed for Madrass Road where they arrived the 18th. and Fired on the Princess Mary, which was returned from the ship and from the Fort. Each ship gave her a broad side as she stood to the Northward and another as she returned, and the[n] stood to the southward again. We are since informed they had Two [Na]tives for this Expedition, One was to make a Plea with the Country Government that the English Committed the first Hostillity's Ashoar and the oth[er] to see if Captain Peyton woud come to our Assistance or not. The 23rd. Captain Peyton with the Squadron stood into Pullicat Road where [he] sent his Leiutenant Mr. Weeims on board a vessel in the Road who there told of all the Circumstances of their Attacking the Princess M[ary] and of their then being between Madras and Pondicherry, on wh[ich] he disappeared and has never since been heard of, or from, by any of the English though their has no [Cost] or Pains been spared for that Purpose, as may Easily be imagined from the since Mellancholly cituati[on] of Affairs on this Coast. The last letter that was received from any One belonging to the squadron was from Captain Payton to Govern r. Mo[rse] dated the 4th. August when he was Just come out from refitting. This Unhappy conduct of his so animated our Enemy's, That they deter[mined] on attacking Fort St. George. We call it unhappy because it has [triumphed] in its consequences, though what reasons Captain Peyton [should have] had for this P[roce]eding we know not. Accordingly the [*a few words lost*] Weighed again for Pondicherry. They landed their Men at St. Thome and thereabouts, and the 5th. began the attack cheifly depending upon their shells. The 10th. the Town surrenderd but on what Terms as we are not perfectly Informed, we shall not presume to trouble your Honour's with Flying Reports. We are pretty well assured there are as yet no Terms Complyed with and that Monsieur De Preminil is gone there from Pondicherry to command the Garrison. The 2d. Instant the seven French ships in the Road haveing taken what Quantity of Money, Goods, Ammunition and stores they thought proper were to sail the 3d. for Pondicherry and from thence immediately hither to Attack this Place, but it pleased God that Night and the next Morning it Blew so hard as to Founder the DucdeOrleans their second ship in force & Two more. The Achilles of seventy Guns, the Commodores and only ship of considerable Force either Cut away, or lost all her Masts, as did the three others so that Twelve hundred (1200) Men have perished and the whole squadron is Utterly disabled and their Design against this place renderd Impracticable for the present though it is the opinion of most of our officers that had they Come we shou'd have taken up more of their Time than they had to spare. We have about Twenty of the King's people that were left ashoar sick who have put our Gunroom in Excellent Order some of the People came to us from Madrass though not many. The additions and alterations to our Fort within this Twelve month have made [it] Infinitely more secure than it was. We have full six months Provision of all kinds in the Fort so that we doubt not we should have been [able] to make a defence for a Considerable Time had they come. They now Talk of Comeing to Us by Land. In which case We bless God we are no ways Apprehensive but with the Common Protection of Providence we [shall] be able to Defend and secure this place till we are releived, for which Purpose We assure your Honours our Utmost Endeavours shall be Us[ed]. Your Honours vessels the Meirmaid and Advice Snow were both taken [by] the French squadron in Madrass Road and both lost in the Storm. The Princess Mary was skuttled and run into the surf, but is since got off by the French; The Sumatra and Brilliant from the West Coast passed by this Road the 19th. August, They were near Enough for us to see they had Colours out, and we knowing the French squadron was off Conimere or thereabouts made a Waft of our Flag for six hour's and Fired a Gun which the Masters say they did not see, and sailed on into the squadron, wch. haveing English Colours they took for ours, and were lost but had Time

Surrender of Madras to French.

to Throw their Papers Overboard. It must Naturally appear to your Honour's and indeed to all the World a very Extraordinary circumstance that the Nabob and Country Government shoud permit our Enemies to Take this Advantage of us, When it has been obedience to their Commands and for the Peace and Welfare of their Country alone That [had prevented] the English along while from Acting in the same manner by [the French] and thereby putting it out of their power to give us this [. . .] answer to which the French say they had the Nabob's permission [for comm] itting these Hostillitys Ashoar and do not scruple to declare publickly they gave him One hundred Thousand (100,000) Pagodas for the Liberty of so doing and when they landed their people they produced his Perwanah which met with Universal Credit though the Nabob now disown's his haveing granted [and] Your Honours may be sure all Methods that can be thought of have been used to Represent to the Nabob the Monstrous Injustice as well as Ill Pollicy of this his Proceeding to which he replyes he never gave them any such Liberty. That his son was going to the Assistance of Madrass, but it was given up before he coud get thither and assures [us] he will Joyn with the English to Destroy Pondicherry. This was the Substance of his Letter in Answer to Mr. Hinde's Remonstrances to him And assures us of his Assistance though at the same time he Carry's [on] a Close Correspondance with the French and Expects no doubt his share of the Booty. In which respect It is Possible he may be disapointed. We shall not fail to keep on good Terms with him though we cannot Flatter our selves with hopes of much if any Assistance from him as nothing of that Nature has yet appeared in Consequence of his Repeated Promises though we have been in daily Expectation of our Enemys appearing against us. as no doubt they woud before now had not many Unforeseen Circumstances Concurr'd to keep them much longer at Madrass than they or we cou'd have Expected, after the surrendry of that Place, and at last this for us most Fortunate Storm which we look upon as a Distinguishing Mark of Providen[ce] in our Favour that greatly Encourages us under our present difficulty's, the particulars of which We shall not take up your Honours leisure with as it is not now in your Power to releive us in Time, but we have wrote to Bengall and Bombay for that purpose and hope they will have regard enough to your Honours Interest to succour us speedily.

On the 25th. August arriv'd at Mayhee three French ships One Called the Centaur of seventy Guns being of Equal Force and bur[sed] with the Achilles, One of Forty and another of Twenty Guns, which th[ree] ships arrived at Pondicherry the 27th. of September and sailed from [thence] the 14th. Instant. Four that came out of Europe in Company with them [are] said to be gone for China. We have no News of the Arrival of any [Your] Honours Ships in India. We hear from Mocha that Mr. Adair dyed at Beethforckee as did Captain Wells of the Pelham at Bombay. We have [now] no News from Bengall this Season. The Meirmaids Packet comeing from thence fell into the Enemys hands in Madrass Road. The Sumatra is heard designed from Pondicherry for Europe, where the shatter'd Rema[ins] of Monsieur La Bourdonnais squadron is Bound or the above three [ships] we cannot learn as yet. Fifty of the Millitary belonging to Madrass perished on the Three ships that were lost, the remainder [sent ashoar] and releived them as the people themselves say for being [. . .] them in the Storm. There was not only a Great deal of [. . . ta]ken out of Madrass on board those three ships but a good [. . .] was lost at the same Time going to Pondicherry in open [. . .].

The Intercourse of Letters between Madrass and this Place have been stop'd ever since the Town was Invested Only three from Governour Morse to Mr. Hinde haveing come out as yet, from thence, and the fear of their being Intercepted Occasions their being wrote only in General Terms so that we know not for Certainty on what Footing the Gentlemen there are, but Mr. Morse writes that Mr. De Jong the Dutch Governour of Pullicat refused giveing the Women and Children his Protection and sent them all back again which was a great Inconveniency to the Place. Mr. Marsan the Governour at Negapatam has been more humane and has taken all the Familys from this place under his protection and Treats them with great humanity. Immediately on hearing Madrass had surrendered We came to a Resolution of stopping the Investment, as your Cash was very low indeed about Ten

thousand (10,000) Pagodas only, though the Merchants have had no Advances since we received the silver mentioned above from Bombay which was the beginning of June, notwithstanding which and many other Impediments which your Honours may be more fully apprized of hereafter from our Letters between Madrass and here. We have about one thousand Five hundred (1500) Bales, and shall in January be able to make them up One thousand Eight hundred (1800) to Load a ship please God we have any come to us, and had we Money We could provide much more.

John Crabb Quarter Master of one of his Majesties ships haveing a little Money and being desirous to secure it, We have received into your Honours Cash One hundred and Ninety (190) Pagodas for which we have given him Certificates of the Receipt and request he may be paid in England the Amount of the same.

SUPPLEMENT

Since writeing the above we have received a Letter signed by Governour Morse and the Gentlemen at Madrass Copy of which we send Inclosed in this Packet. In it is Mentioned Articles of Capitulation for the Ransom of that place which is all we yet know and thought proper to advise your Honours of it, What the Terms are we know not but they are very Ill kept by Monseiur Dupleix the Governour of Pondicherry who sent out Three hundred (300) Men to surprize them on the Way, which they did and have Carried them all Prisoners of War into Pondicherry. The Three ships that we advise above to be sailed from Pondicherry are returned with Two of the Disabled Ships, so that are now in that Road and the off in Five ships compleatly Riggd, and Five Disabled besides Small Vessels. We are with the Utmost Fidelity and Respect.

HONOURABLE

FORT S^T. DAVID
17TH. OCTOBER 1746.

Your faithful and most
Obedient and humble Servants

JOHN HINDE.
EDWARD CROKE.
CHARLES FLOYER.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
THOMAS COOKE.
Jun^e.

LETTER TO S^T. HELENA, DATED OCTOBER 17, 1746. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, p. 6*]

TO THE WORSH^L. DUNBAR ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^A. COUNCIL OF S^T. HELENA.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS.

We have thought proper to send home to our Honble Masters the Porto bello sloop Walter Hook Master to advise them of the Loss of their Settlement of Fort S^t. George who will deliver you a Packet directed to the Honble the Court of Directors which is a Duplicate of what we send by the sloop and request you will forward by the first Opportunity that offers to Great Brittain We are

FORT S^T. DAVID
17 OCTOBER 1746.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble servants

JOHN HINDE.
EDWARD CROKE.
CHARLES FLOYER.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
THOMAS COOKE *Junr.*

LETTER TO W. HOOK DATED OCTOBER [17] 1746. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, p. 6*]

To M^R^. WALTER HOOK
MASTER OF THE PORTOBELLO SLOOP.

SIR

You are hereby Orderd Wind & Weather permitting imed[iately] on the Receipt of this to Weigh Anchor & make the best of your Way to the Cape of Good Hope where if you meet with any of the Honble Companys Shipp[ing] you are to advise them that Fort St. George is taken by the French & after any other Circumstances you know of the Enemys Shipping that may be of Service to them If any safe Conveyance is upon Departure you are to Send by them the Packet directed to the Honble Court of Directors Marked No. [1] If not leave it with some Trusty Person to Forward it when you [are gone]. We direct you not to stay longer on shoar than Four or Five days & then proceed to St. Helena where you are to deliver to the Governour of that p[lace] the packet markd No. 2, to stay there not above 4 or 5 days more and then proceed to the First Port you can fetch in Great Britain or Ireland and there send your packet No. 3 as d[ire]cted by the General Post. If the first Port be in Ireland you are Ordered as Soon as you have landed your packet to proceed for the first port in England and there land the packet No. 4 and send it by the General Post adviseing by a Letter directed to Christoph Mole Esqr. Secretary to the Honble East India Company of your Arrival and wherefrom and then make the best of your Way into the River Thames where you will receive Orders from our Honble Masters. If [you meet with] any Men of War bound for England put No. 3 on board [. . .] landing it. We order you not to Carry any Trade with [. . .] That you keep a Particular good Look out for fe[ar of] Enemy's, That you avoid as much as Possible the Track the French ships go in to the Maurutius, and If there are no English Ships at the Cape leave a Letter directed to the Commanding Officer of any English Ship Adviseing them of your voyage and of the meaning of it, Keep the Packets always slung and be sure heave them over board If you fall in with an Enemy. We wish you a Good Voyage and are

[F]ORT ST. DAVID
[17TH.] OCTOBER 1746.

Your Loving Friends & Servants

JOHN HINDE.
EDWARD CROKE.
CHARLES FLOYER.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
THOMAS COOKE *Junr*.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED JANUARY 10, 1747. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, pp. 7–10*].

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE
HONBLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND,
TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

Our last Address bore date the 17th. October and went by your Honours sloop the Porto bello which sailed from Negapatam the 22d. In this Packet comes a Fifth copy of that Letter, Since that Time your Honours Affairs on this Coast have continued in the same Uncertain Posture As we have not been so fortunate as to receive Either Letters or Succours from Bengall though so near us and to Windward and we have been very Importunate in our Letters on this occasion, The only Alterations in our favour Since we wrote you last Is that we have prevailed wth. the Country Government to declare in our favour and in consequence of it the Nabob

sent his Son Mahomed Ally Can with about Two thousand Horse to our Assistance the beginning of last Month notwithstanding which the French thought proper the 8th. ultimo to Come against us with their Whole Force from Pondicherry when we made the best Defence we were able, and notwithstanding they got as far as the Garden House We had the good Fortune on the 9th. to drive them out and Compel them to a very Precipitate Retreat, In which they had killed and Wounded by the best [. . .] We can get upwards of a hundred and seventy of their [Men wounded] left behind two Mortars all their Ammunition & Camp [Furniture &] Everything they brought but the Arms they bore and some of them and our Loss was very Inconsiderable. The 20th. We are advised they fitted out a Force by sea to [sur]prize us that way but Providence disapointed them, Some of their [boats] were drove ashoar and their Ammunition all spoiled which reduced them to a Necessity of laying aside their Design and putting ba[ck] into AriaCopang River. The 31st. We had a skirmish by land in [which] we again Obtained an Advantage over them, and had we even then been succoured your Honours Affairs woud have been in all humble probability Restored in a great Measure If not altogether the [Wind] was so well disposed towards us, but as yet we have not had a[ll] or any Assistance from Bengall since Madrass was taken now 4 m[onths] The Nabobs Eldest Son Mahofoz Cawn is now Joyned his Brother the Expence of the Camp amounts to Upwards of six thousand Rupees ℔ day and they with reason grow Extreamly Impatient and we fear will Quit our Interest. If some ships do not Appear soon to ass[ist] us, Shipping of all Nations have long since been on the Coast, and [to] our Great Concern and Uneasiness four of the French Squadron are Returned and are now at Pondicherry, one of them the Centaur [the] best ship they have had in India, and Five more ships in that Road in all Nine, and it is this that Renders our Scituation so Precarious and for which reason we send this away in a hurry to Tranquebar least we should be besieged and deprived of an Opportunity of so [doing] With it we send our Consultations from the Loss of Madrass which contain a Journal of what we have done for the Preservation of our settlement for which our Utmost Endeavours have been Employed we hope it will meet with your Honours approval. We shall [only] Add we think it somewhat unkind in our Countrymen and Few servants to have abandoned us, and that we will do all we can under these discourageing Circumstances and Trust to Providence [for the] Event. Hitherto we have been but at a small Expence our Presents [to] the Country Government not Exceeding above Three thousand 3000 a Triffle not worth mentioning in Proportion to the Expence thereat and the Disquiet it has given our Enemy's who are trying all possible Methods to make up Affairs with them, and the above Circu[m]stances greatly Facillitate their Negotiations as they clog the Works of ours. We have in General Terms promised in your Honours [. . .] that we will not be ungrateful for any favours The Natives [may care] to show us.

Whilst the above was writeing a Message Came from the Nabobs Sons adviseing that their Father was actually treating with the French and that Four Prisoners were sent to Pondicherry from Arcot, wch. Renders our Affairs so Precarious that we shall only advise your Honours of the Arrival of what shipping is Come to our Knowledge and send this Away in hopes of haveing an Opportunity of writeing again by this ship a Day or Two hence. In the mean time We shall Use all possible Methods with the Nabob and his sons to have regard to our Interest according to their Repeated Promises and to procure the Restitution of Madrass as one of the Terms if Possible which they still promise as well as our Security though their Council's are so Influenced by Immediate Gain that there is no depending upon them.

On 23d. October Commodore Griffin in the Princess Mary and with the Pearl arrived at Atcheen and sailed from thence for Ballasore the 2d. of November to Joyn his Majesties Squadron who were all safe in that River the beginning of September, The 5th. Novembr. the Brittania Captain Somner put into Madrass but got Clear as soon as he found out his Mistake and we hear since he is at Galle whither we have sent him Orders to come here. The Houghton Captain Worth went to Bencoolen and from thence Endeavoured to get to Madrass but fell to Leeward and

Came here the 5th. December and on hearing Madrass was taken he went away at Eleven at Night Contrary to Orders and we Fireing at him, without sending us the Packet or Intelligence of any kind whatever which disheartened our Garrison Extreamly in the Necessitous Condition we must be in and greatly Encourag'd our Enemy's. On the 28th. and 30th. September The Marlbrough and Montford arrived at Bengall as did the Salisbury the 10th. October. The Ilchester arrived at Anjengo the 6th. of October. The Warwick arrived at Bombay the 19th. November and Severn from Mocha the 27th. The Essex Sailed from thence for Great Britain the 16th. September last fully loaded with Coffee, and the Pelham at the same Time who was dispatch'd to be filled up at Tellicherry left that place the 10th. October. The Somerset and Dragon were Safe in the Streights of Sunda and all was well at the West Coast when the Houghton left that place.

We hear from Pondicherry that the St. Louis is loading for Europe and the Princess Mary for the Islands. Mr. Morse Monson, Stratton, and Savage are there [Mr. Eyre] at Tranquebar, Mr. Harris here, and Mr. Fowke at Pullicat [Several] of the Inferiour Servts. are here whom we are obliged to [. . .] for or they coud not Subsist. Mr. John Pybus being [near at] hand We have Employ'd him in the Secretary's office and take the liberty of recommending him [to] your Honours Favour. The French have made a most Advantageous Use of last Month and this haveing in that Time brought every thing away from Madrass that is Valuable or Useful for the defence of Pondicherry without any Molestation and stockd themselves with Grain from that Place which was much wanted at their own. On the receipt of a letter from the President & Council before they left Madrass desireing us [to] send the Proper Orders as they coud not, to the Northern Settlements [of] Shipping, We directed the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam to send what [things] they had hither, provided any of your shipping called there under [pro]per Convoy and at Ingeram to send them likewise provided they have not already sent them to Bengall as the Gentlemen there had adv[anced] them but to Act discretionally in Case of any Enemies appearing [there] then there was none at each place they have about (800) Eight hun[dred] Bales white and Brown and we have about seventeen hundred [1700] which we wish we may have Tonnage for. We shall now Concl[ude] with assuring your Honours We have omitted nothing that Occurs to us for the Preservation of the Settlement and we Bless God our Endeavours hitherto have been crowned with as much success [as the] Warmest Expectations Cou'd hope for. We wish we may be relieved [for the] Time for we were always Ill provided and now in the Utmost want of almost Every thing. We hope to have the pleasure to advise you [in] this ship of the Arrival of the squadron on the Coast and are in the meantime with the Utmost Fidellity and Respect.

Honourable

Fort St. David
10th. Janry 1746–7.

Your most Faithful & Obedt. hum [servts.]

John Hinde.
Edward Croke.
Charles Floyer.
William Holt.
Alexander Wynch.
Thomas Cooke *Junr.*

Postcript

Since Closeing the above we have News from Vizagapatam by a Boat arrived at Pullicat that Mr. Prince there has sent with Salt Petre and Rice for the Use of this Settlement, That the Kent was arrived there for theirs and the Ingeram Bales and Sailed again for Bengall the 25th. Ultimo. That the Medway had carried away her Main Mast in heaveing down. That six ships woud be ready to sail the Neeps between the full and Change in December. That they waited with great Impatience for Commodore Griffins arrival. Since this Mr. Prince writes that he has News the

Commodore arrived the 7th. December at Connika near Ballasore, that we imagine the 6 ships must have Joyned in 5 or 6 days after that or that we may Expect to see them every hour on the Coast. By this it is plain the Gentlemen at the Bay have not had the least thought of us nor have we yet received a Letter. We hope it will be Possible to keep the Nabob in humour a little longer, If that can be done or any Method Used to Preserve this Place till we are Succoured, we hope in our next to Advise your Honours that Madrass is in your Possession again on reasonable Terms. Some Expence must be depended upon when such large Negotiations are Transacting with so lucrative a Government as the Moors are well known to be We are.

[Fo]RT ST. DAVID

HONOURABLE

[10]th Janry 1746-7.

Your most Faithful & Obedt. Hum Servts.

JOHN HINDE.
EDWARD CROKE.
CHARLES FLOYER.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
THOMAS COOKE *Junr*.

LETTER TO J. HUGONIN DATED JANUARY 12, 1747. [*Public Despatches to England*, *Vol. 16*, *p 12*.]

TO MR. JAMES HUGONIN
AT TRANCOMBAR.

SIR

The Two Packets, for our Honble Masters together [with] all the Letters we gave you Yesterday, We desire you will not send [on] board the Danes ship till you go your self and if you can get any to put them under another Cover and Directed in Danes to some [Danish] Gentlemen at Copenhagen you will do well, which you may take of [at] Pleasure, and in case of any Enemy give them to some of the offic[ers] of the ship to keep in their Chest for fear of yours being search'd [If] you call at St. Hellena please to let the Governour there know you ha[ve] such Packetts and if he thinks proper to Open them to take dup[licate] let him (provided there is Time) but by no means leave them behind. If you meet with any of our Men of War in the channel or any other part of the Passage bound to England please to put them on board or If you quit the ship always take them with you provided you are proceeding on your Voyage, If not recommend them to the Br[itish] Minister at Copenhagen. Whose ever Possession they are in while [at] Sea, We desire they may always be kept Slung to a Weight and [be] ready to throw Overboard Rather than they shoud Fall into the French hands. We wish you a good voyage and are.

SIR

FORT ST. DAVID

Your most humble servts.

the 12th. Janry 1746-7.

JOHN HINDE.
EDWARD CROKE.
CHARLES FLOYER.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
THOMAS COOKE *Junr*.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY DATED MAY 2, 1747.
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TO THE HONOURABLE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE UNITED COMPANY OF
MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

The last Opportunity We had to Address Your Honours, was under date, the 18th. Janry which was by a Danes ship, that sail'd from Tranquebar the 23d: of that Month, Duplicate whereof, We send in this Packet. This Waits on you by the Britannia, who Imported here the 22d: of February, in Consequence of Our Orders sent the Commander when at Galloe; Which ship We have for several Motives, that We imagine Conduce to your Honours Interest, thought fit to dispatch home, thô so late; We could wish it were at a properer season; but as We have been at the utmost Inconveniency to find room to stow the large quantity of Bales We have on hand, & as We conceive it may be an Infinite Advantage & Satisfaction to your Honours to have them in Europe at this Juncture, and more especially from a place, there has been so great reason to despair of, on these material Considerations, together with the risque they may again be expos'd to, by the same Accidents that have happen'd, We are of Opinion Your Honours cannot disapprove of Our sending her away, at this Unusual time. We have therefore laden on her seventeen hundred Eighty four Bales amounting as ℔ Invoice to Pags. 144474. 6. 20. which We sincerely wish may arrive safe wth: You as We do that the Gentlemen at the Bay had according to Our repeated [requests] furnish'd Us with an earlier Convey [instructions in] which they might have sent up the private Consignments for the Coast, & great returns might have been made, whereas the Insurance ceases in February, & none or little [is] come by this ship.

Since Our last Account of the Melan[choly] situation of this settlement, which must Certainly have appear'd to be very Precarious. We had the Misfortune to be reduc'd to almost inevitable Dangers for as Our security chiefly depended on the Assis[tance] of the Moors; We were soon brought to the utmost Extremity by being abandon'd by them: notwithstanding all the Arguments & Persuasions that could possibly be us'd on Our parts, to Continue them [in] Our Interests; but the long delay of Our ships, [with] the uncertainty of their Coming at all; & the frequent Offers & Proposals they receiv'd from the French [which] arose to five Lack of Rupees, made all our Endeavours prove fruitless, as We could by no means think of making such Offers, & if We could, they would [have] still outbid Us; having this Advantage of Us, that if they did not perform their Promises, they could [rather] be on worse Terms than they were, whereas We must literally have perform'd all Ours; upon the whole [on] the 14th: February, both their Armies decamp'd, lea[ving] us wholly to Ourselves; In which destitute Circumstances the French on the last of February came of Pondicherry, & on the 1st: March made another attempt upon Us by Land, bringing with them [a] Force considerably superior to any yet sent, or [We] could equal in more than a Quarter part, nevertheless, on their approaching near the Bounds, [We] sent out all Our Peons, with One hundred Europeans Military, two hundred Topasses, & some Artillery [in order] to repell them, if possible, at least [to delay] their Entrance for awhile; in hopes [of] doing them some Mischief, & that every Hour might produce something in Our Favour, which as providence Ordain'd, it answer'd Our Intentions so well, that though We cou'd not defeat Them, Our Party engag'd Them so warmly, that We had the good Fortune to keep them from crossing Punniar River, all that Day, & to do them Considerable Damage, but Night coming on, & Our People no ways equal, to keep the field against such a superior Force, were constrain'd to retire to the Fort, by which means, the Enemy had an open Field all that Night, when, & on the 2d: in the Morning early they march'd with all their Troops to the Garden House, from whence, it would have been impracticable for Us to have drove them away: but it happen'd very fortunately before they had Time to raise any Batteries, or to

do much Damage in the Bounds; We had the inexpressible Joy & satisfaction to discover Nine sail in the Offing, which prov'd to be his Majesty's squadron under the Command of Commodore Griffin; this, for Us most Welcome sight, made them quit their Quarters, & betake to Flight immediately, which they did so speedily, that though We had Eight hundred Men landed with the utmost Expedition by the Commodore, In order to cut them off in their Retreat, yet they were got so far on their Way, that it was in vain to pursue them: altho their stay at the Gardens was very short, they took care to do as much mischief as they could in the time, and burnt several Houses about the Bounds but as these Damages are nothing in Comparison to the ill Consequences that might have attended Us had they continued longer, even one day more. We have reason to Bless God for appearing this once more so manifestly & Critically in our Favour.

After having given you this Account of Our most happy Escape from the Eminent Danger We have been in, We shall now turn to acknowledge the receipt of your several Favours that have come [to] Our Hands, & then proceed to Address You under the Proper heads.

By the Brittannia We receiv'd Your General to the President & Council of Fort S^t^. George of the 7th. May 1746, & by his Majesty's ship Princess Mary from the Bay, We had transmitted Us, those of the 10th. Janry 1745, & of the 27th. March, & 4th. April 1746, with a Copy of what wrote under date 20th. March 1744, We have also receiv'd Your Honours favour of the 14th. Novr. by the Lapwing & Duplicates of those by the Norfolk & Bombay Castle, with M^r^. Mole's Letters of the 12th. 26th. of August, and 6th. of November, the Contents of all which shall be duly observ'd, & replied to, in their respective places.

First concerning shipping

Out of the several ships that were Consign'd to this Coast, by the List given Us in Your Letter of the 10th. Janry 1745, & in other Letters since, The Houghton & Britannia have been the only two that have touch'd at it, of whom We have before advis'd You, The former We have reason to believe by an Account a Dutch Man gave Us of meeting an English ship near that Place, is g[oing] to Batavia.

The Princess Amelia bund for Ben[gal] We are concern'd to inform you had the Misfortune to fall into the Enemy's Hands on the 16th. of Febry [by] going into Madrass road, where by the artf[ul Means] of the French, they decoy'd the Commander [to] send his Packet ashore, & afterwards seized the ship, where she still remains, but so close under the Fort Guns there is no getting her away: this Unfortunate Capture gave a Cruel turn to Affairs on this Coast, by furnishing the French with Money, and all kind of Necessaries to tempt the Moors over to their Interest.

The Marlborough, Montford, & Salisbury that arriv'd at Bengal, We are inform'd from the Presid^t^. & Council there, were dispatch'd from thence to Europe fully Laden the 27th. February.

The Princess of Wales was parted with by the Lynn, in a high Latitude off the Cape; which last arriv'd at Anjengo the 19th. February, the former We are inform'd by a Country ship, that Arriv'd here a few Days past, was seen going up the River at Bengal on the 18th. Ultimo.

From the President & Council of Bombay We are advis'd that Your Honours West Coast ship the Princess Augusta taken by Angria some time since, is ransom'd by them, for the sum of Eight thousand 8000 Rupees, exclusive of some other Charges.

We have likewise the Pleasure to advise Your Honours that the Brilliant Snow who Unluckily fell into the Hands of the French some Months past, was retaken a few days ago, by his Majesty's Squadron; as she was coming to Pondicherry from the Islands, & We have since purchas'd Her on Your Honours Account for Rupees 7150 seven thousand One hundred & fifty.

When this Vessel left the Isles there were there Eight French ships, out of which, the [Ac]hilles with another, was to sail for Europe soon after, [to carry] Monsr. De La Bourdonnais with them who was reliev'd there by Monsr. S^t^. David We send in the Packet a List of all the ships the French have in India.

From the Chief & Council at Tellicherry We hear that the Severn, Warwick & Ilchester arriv'd there in [Order] to be fill'd up for Europe, but on Our sending Notice of the Enemys five ships being bound for that Coast, they were dispatch'd to the Northward the 22^d^. of Febry, with One thousand Candies of Pepper, in part of their Lading, & soon after their Departure the Enemies ships appear'd, & were at Mahie by our last Accounts.

We have wth. much Pleasure read of the safe return of the ships mention'd in Your Letter of the 10th. Janry 1745, as we do of the Arrival of the several ships mention'd in Your Honours Letter of the 14th. November last.

We have remark'd the Secret Committee for the last year, as specified to Us in the above Letter & should be entirely obedient to the Orders receiv'd from Them; the [letter] directed for the President having fallen into M^r^. Floyer's Hands, He will do himself the Honour to answer.

We likewise Observe the Directions given [Us] therein relating to the Severn, but have not had it in Our Power to Comply with any Part of them.

The Favour M^r^. James Lauder has merited from You in Your Letter of the 4th. April, for the early Intelligence he gave of the Spanish Men of War, shall be regulated by Us, whenever He comes this Way.

In the 4th. Paragraph of Your Letter of the May last, you are pleas'd to direct, that when any of the Captains of your ships do not Comply with Their Instructions to all such before Us, & remind Them of their Duty, which [is to] be obey'd, whenever Occasion may require.

In the 14th. Paragraph you advise of having sent us a fresh Calculate of Tonnage, for the several specimens of Goods [gener]ally sent from India, which We have received & find very usefull [*a few words lost*] Business being begun upon here, We have enclos'd an Indent of those Particulars likewise.

The Methods lain down to Us in the 9th. Paragraph of Your Letter under the 20th. March 1744 for Weigh^s^. of Lead, Iron, Copper & Elephants Teeth, shall be practis'd accordingly, for the better Judging of any Deficiencies that may arise in any of those Articles.

The Manner given Us in the 7th. & 8th. Paragraphs of the preceeding Letter, relating to the acco^t^. remains of several Particulars, as mention'd therein, shall be properly observ'd by Us for the time to come.

Whatever Cloth may appear to be Milldew'd We will endeavour to recover in the Manner you appoint.

We have notify'd your Indulgence of four Pence in a Pagoda to all such as may have a Mind to pay Money into your Cash for Bills or Exchange or Certificates; In Consequence of which, whatever Money is receiv'd before the Departure of this ship, will be accounted for at that Rate, & proper Advice thereof will be annex'd at the Foot of this Letter, thô We imagine it will be but a small Sum.

The Licenc'd silver, Coral &c^a^. Consign'd for this Coast by the ships, Marlborough, Montford, & Salisbury having been carried to Bengal the President & Council there have thought fit to detain, till they receive the several Persons Directions, to whom they are Consign'd.

In the 16th. Paragraph of Your General of 7th. May last, You seemed inclin'd to think that the Deficiency of silver by your ships, had been Occasion'd by some Fraud or slight of hand in the Black People that are Employ'd in weighing it off, We shall therefore carefully inspect into that Matter.

We are sorry for the Loss you have sustain'd on that Account, & particularly for that mention'd in the 23^d^. Paragraph relating to the York; but as that Affair was manag'd at Fort S^t^. George, We fear it will be difficult for Us to dive into it.

Whenever there is Occasion to dispose of [our] silver Your Honours may depend upon Our doing it to [our] most Advantage, & if the Nabob or any other make their Application for any, We shall insist upon Prior Payment as you desire.

As soon as ever We are furnish'd with more silver than what is absolutely necessary for the Carrying on Your Business at this Place We shall immediately embrace the Opportunity to Comply with Your Directions in sending the surplus to Bengal.

Should the supra Cargoes of the Port [. . .] be able to purchase a larger Quantity of Coffee, than her Loading, & draw any Bills on Us, We shall agreably to Your Honours Direction, accept them, & shall pay all due regard to Your Orders about sending it [home].

Thirdly Investment

When the Admiral Vernon left this Place [. . .] Febry was twelve Months, We had left of the former [Year's] Investment, four hundred sixteen Bales.

We have since provided upwards of sixteen hundred, & had it pleas'd God to bless Us with Peace, [had] We been furnish'd with Pagodas, We could have procured almost any Quantity, As it was, We were oblig'd to call in the Merchants Ballances to support the Garrison.

The President & Council of Bengal, on hear[ing] of the Loss of Madrass; thought proper to send your ship [Kent] to Vizagapatam, to fetch away them, & also the Ingeram Bales that they might be sent home, by the ships dispatch'd from their Place, but those at Ingeram not arriving in time, she was return'd with only [. . .] Hundred Bales from Vizagapatam.

His Majesty's ship Lively arriving at that Place, sometime after, in order to Convoy the Kent back to Bengal; Mr. Prince took the Opportunity to send in Company with her a sloop, with One hundred & Twelve Bales, that arriv'd there from Ingeram.

We have since receiv'd from Mr. Saunders six hundred Eighty Eight Bales, as likewise Eighty two provided by Mr. Andrews at Ganjam part of which you will receive on this ship.

We had great satisfaction in reading the 8th. Paragraph of Your Honours Letter dated 10th. Janry. 1745 that the large Quantity of Goods sent from this Coast that Season were very acceptable to You, as We have in Your Favour of the 14th. November, that those of that Season were likewise so, & We hope what you will receive by this ship will meet with the same Good Fortune, as they are full as good, & something Cheaper, though they have often mov'd in Our Troubles, which may make them look worse to the Eye.

We shall endeavour to procure what Quantity We can get of good Cloth, & as Cheap as possible, & We hope with a little Assistance from the Northern Settlements to be able to dispatch a ship home to Your Honours in September.

Since the Arrival of the Britania, We came to a resolution to begin upon an Investment with all possible Expedition, but We have not been able to procure Pagodas, or any Gold to make them with, When We are, We shall be guided by Your List Inclos'd in your Letter of the 27th. March 1746 as well as by your Directions in the 29th. Paragraph of your General under the 7th. May after & this Leads Us to advise Your Honours We have Open'd both a Gold & silver Mint at Cuddalore, as well to reap what little Benefit may at present arise, as to maintain Your right to it with the Country Government; Mr. Foxall Your Assay Master is come hither with all the People & Materials He could save out of the Mint at Madras: The Dutch had begun to make Overtures with the Government to supplant Us, but We have prevented them in time.

Our Competitors in Purchasing Cloth as mention'd in the 26th. Paragraph of Your Letter of the 7th May 1746, have of late been entirely the Dutch & Danes: The French having been quite out of the Question, all the last year, & have scarce

sent home a piece of Cloth, beside what they took from Ma[drass] The Danes, expected two ships the last year, thô one is not arriv'd: They do Us more harm in introducing bad Goods than in the Quantity they provide. that the Dutch are every Year falling into Our Sortment yet if We are but supplied with Money, We doubt not but We shall be able to supply Your Honours with a large quantity.

We shall transmit Your Directions to the Northern Factories, as mention'd in Your 2 [7th] Paragraph; by the first Opportunity We sent two Chests of Rupees to Vizagapatam, & shall send some Madrass Pagodas to Ingeram, as soon as We can get Gold to coin them.

We have acquainted Our Merchants with Your Orders in the 28th. Paragraph relating to the Outstanding Ballances, who by no means Objec[t to] the Justice of paying them, but plead the Hardness [of] the Times, which has some Truth in it at present thô their Ballances ought to have been paid before these times came on, upon the whole as Your Honours have permitted a Reasonable time to be allow'd them that they may not be distress'd We have consented to their paying in the same in Six Months.

We have taken Notice of the Goods over wanting by the several ships as mention'd in the 44th. Paragraph, & shall make all due Enquiry if Your Honours may receive satisfaction for it.

We observe Your Directions in the 47th. Paragraph Concerning Vencata Ramah which shall be properly re[gard]ed and due Obligations taken for that as well as [any] other Payments that may be made on Your Honours [account].

The Dimittys by this Ship are near of [that] fineness as what sent last, which is Occasion'd by [their] having been Provided before Your Orders came to [hand] about them, but shall take care to Observe Your Directions in th[ose] We provide for this Year.

There is only one Mãcao ship come in here this year, & has brought little or no Teas When We have an Opportunity of purchasing any We shall follow Your Directions & give all Encouragement to the bringing a Quantity here of that Commodity.

Fourthly of Country Government

The Situation of this Province as to any differences or Incursions that have been made by the Marattaes has remain'd in Tolerable Peace & Tranquillity for this last Year & had We not been reduc'd to numerous Inconveniencies by the Unfortunate Blow We have receiv'd from the French, We might in all Probability have reap'd a great Advantage from it.

We find from several Instances in Our late Misfortunes, that the Nabob & other Principal Persons of this Country are of such an extream lucrative Disposition, that there is no hopes of Fixing them stedfast in Our Interest by any other Method but by the Force of Money, & that they are so exceeding Avaritious, (Occasion'd by the large Proffers they have receiv'd from the French) that nothing less than Lacks will go near to Satisfie them.

These are such large Sums beyond what We think in Our Power to dispose of, that We never attempted to make them any such Offers, but as a Means to encourage them in Our Cause, We have several Times promis'd Them in General Terms that Your Honours will not be Ungratefull for any substantial service We may receive from them, which with some small presents We may make as a Pledge of Our sincerity, We hope will have the Desir'd Effect & procure their Assistance when requir'd.

The Presents that We made Them, whilst the Nabob's two Armies were encamped without Our Bounds for near three Months at an Expence of upwards of Six thousand Rupees ℔ Day, in our Defence, did not Amount to above forty thousand (40,000) Rupees, which in Comparison to the service they were of, in defeating the French in their Attempt upon this Place, on the 9th. of Decr. We are of Opinion You will allow to be very inconsiderable, & therefore persuade Ourselves

it will meet with Your approval: We endeavoured to keep them longer with Us for Our Security, as We daily expected his Majestys Squadron; & M^r. Hinde offer'd them two thousand (2000) Rupees ℘ Day to stay only ten Da[ys] but he could not prevail on Them.

FIFTHLY OF FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS, REPAIRS AND REVENUES

On Our request, the President & Council sent their Engineer M^r. Smith, to survey Our Works, & to represent what Alterations were necessary to be made to Them, In Consequence of his Report thereof, as enter'd in Consultation of the 30th. August 1745, & of another Report deliver'd in, the 11th. March last, by a Person recommended to Us to be skill'd in Fortifications: We have built a new Bastion to the South West of the Fort, which before was thought quite Useless & incapable of Defence; We have also nearly Compleated the Ditch, & have thicken'd the Parapets round the Fort to near Six Feet, also erected a Casern within, Bomb Proof: all which was represented to be absolutely necessary, & We have since found as greatly tended to the security of the Garrison. The Expences of these several Articles, you will be informed of by the Consultation at that time.

By the Advice & Opinion of Commodore Griffin, as well as some others, with whom We have Consulted, We are now at Work on Enlarging the [Ditch] to 100 feet broad, & making a Hornwork & Cover'd Work to the Northward, & some other Works to the East, and West; which We are informed will be a very great Addition to the strength of the Fort, as will [most] fully appear to Your Honours by a report delivered in by M^r. George Jones, Copy whereof comes Enclosed; If We have but a sufficient Number of [Men] to defend against any further Attempts, that may in all Likelyhood be made against Us, as soon as the Squadron leaves Us, which they will be oblig'd to do, before the Commencing of the Monsoon, if not sooner.

The Plan and Estimate of this Design will be sent you in this Packet, the Cost of which amounts to Pagodas Eighty five thousand, seven hundred & thirty (85730 P^s.) and We shall be pleas'd to find it proves agreable to you.

The Carrying on this Work, as well as all others, We shall be carefull that the Work be well perform'd & the Materials good, & shall appoint proper Persons to Oversee it, that Your Honours Money may be laid out to the best Advantage, & for Expedition, We have sent to the Villages about Madrass, to get whatever Workmen belonged to that Place, Promising them a small Encouragement for their trouble in Coming down; & We have been pretty successfull therein; at present Our Thoughts are entirely bent upon this Work, & We hope the same will be greatly forwarded before the Squadron leaves the Coast.

For the Reasons given by Our Military Officers in the Report in Consultation of the 17th. November, We have Pull'd down all the Houses in Tevenapatam, & other places, that were within four hundred (400) yards of the Fort, & the Hospital being within that Compass, shared the like fate.

As We were at a great loss for Room to accommodate the Commodore, and several Officers of the Squadron, The Garden House being at too great a Distance, & very Inconvenient for them, We have therefore purchased a House of two thousand (2000) Pagodas for that Use, as well as for many other Occasions.

We are sorry to acquaint you We have been depriv'd of an Engineer by the Death of M^r. Smith, who died at Madrass just at the time He was most wanted, being on the second Day the French were before that Place, We therefore hope Your Honours will supply Us with another.

The Customs of this Place have decreased [since] the last year from having little or no Importation the whole Time, the French Squadron arriving upon the Coast in the Month of June, & stay'd the Year out.

There having been a great scarcity of Grain, the last Season, We thought proper to take [away] the Customs thereon, for a while, the reasons for [which] will appear in Consultation of the 8th: January [1747] since the Arrival of his Majesty's Squadron, [have] had large supplies, that Duty is now Collected [again].

The several Farms as mention'd in [the] Books, are Continued at the same rent as usu[al] but the Cowles of the Arrack Farm, Beetle & Toba[cco] Farm, and Weighing and Measuring Duties, having Expir'd, & the Persons who had Them, rejecting to [keep] Them; We have lett those Farms to other People as Your Honours will see by Consultation of the 31st: Ju[. . .]

Sixthly of factors, writers, military officers, & their accounts

We are sorry to begin this Head with acquainting Your Honours of the Death of Our Governour Mr. Hinde, who departed this Life the 14th. ultimo upon which, We met the next Morning in Consulta[tion] where, upon Mr. Croke's Delivering in a Representation, as Enter'd after that Consultation, desiring [to] be excus'd upon account of his Age, & Ill State [of] Health: it devolv'd upon Mr. Charles Floyer, who accordingly took the Charge upon Him.

He begs leave to assure Your Honours that no Care of His, shall be wanting to promote [*One line lost*].

Mr. William Holt chusing to keep his Employ of Customer at Cuddalore, Mr. Alexander Wynch is appointed Paymaster, & Mr. Thomas Cooke Junr: takes Charge of the Storehouse.

Since the date of Our last, Governour Morse & Mr. Monson remov'd from Pondicherry to Tranquebar from whence the Latter took his Passage home, by a Danes Ship; The former with Mr. Eyre remains there, Messrs. Harris, & Savage are now here: Mr. Fowke gone to the Bay, & Mr. Stratton We hear is gone for England on one of the returning ships from Bengal.

Several of your servants are here, the younger of them, We have kept a General Table for, as they must otherwise have been at a great Loss for a subsistance, being entirely out of pay, ever since Madrass was taken.

For the Conveniency of pursuing the Business of the Mint, We have entertain'd Mr. Sidney Foxall Assay Master, at his usual salary and Allowances, who also hopes to be Confirm'd by you.

Out of the several Writers sent out for this Coast by the last ships, only Messrs. Turner, Vansittart, & Duncombe have arriv'd, whom We have entertain'd & Employ'd, as Directed.

As We had great Occasion for some Writing Assistants, We have Entertain'd Messrs. William Smyth King, John Pybus, and Edmund Maskelyne as Monthly Writers, at Ten Pagodas (10) ℔ Mensem, till they can be Confirm'd by Your Honours in their former Standing.

Mr. John Pybus having since Desir'd to quit the service, in order to go for Europe, We have granted him the same.

We shall employ more good Hands when We can get them, there being a great deal of Business to be done, by a few Persons.

Mr. Samuel Parkes having been inform'd of the station Your Honours have appointed Him, he left this Place for Bengal, a few days past, by whom We forwarded the Packet for that Place that came [on] the Lapwing.

Mr: John Hallyburton being Exchang'd, came in, as Early as he could to Us in October, & has since been very serviceable, particularly the first time the French came against this Place, when he was [sent] by Us, to the Nabobs's Camp, to signifie Our Instructions to Him, which he perform'd much to Our Advantage which induces Us to recommend him to you, that he may be rewarded in what manner you think fit as he is at present quite out pay.

Most part of the Military that could escape out of Madrass have come here, whom We have taken into service.

The Officers are all with Us, who offering their service, as we were much in want of them, We have Continued them in their former Commissions, and the Lieutenants having behav'd very well here in the two Actions with the Enemy, We take the Liberty to recommend Them to Your Honours to have Captains Commissions Conferr'd on them.

The Inferiour Officers, and Military as well as those in the Gunroom, We have rewarded with Cloathing as more fully set forth in Our Consultation of the 2[. . .] March.

Mr. Robert Clive Writer in the service being [of] a Martial Disposition, and having acted as a Volunteer in Our late Engagements, We have Granted him an Ensign's Commission, upon his Application for the same.

The Number of Military in this Garrison, [we] think necessary to represent, was [at all] Times very insufficient for the Defence of Madrass much more so at this Juncture: Our Enemies Garrison at Pondicherry being so Superior to Us, they can sally out a thousand Europeans at any time, & Commit any Damages they please about Us, for want of a proper Number to Oppose them. We therefore request you will take this into your serious Consideration, & that you will supply Us with as many as appear to be Necessary.

We likewise think it not improper to signifie to you, that an Experienc'd Head Officer will be of Infinite Service to Us.

Of the Eleven Recruits that were sent on this Ship, six have died, & only five liv'd to Come to Us, since which, We receiv'd a Welcome supply by the Lapwing of thirty Men, who have all arriv'd in good health.

From the want of Military, We have been oblig'd to take into service, about 3000 Peons for the Security of the Place, & Defence of the Bounds; but since the Arrival of the Men of War, we have discharg'd a few of Them, thinking it absolutely Necessary to keep up a great Part of Them, otherwise We should be liable to daily Insults from the French Peons.

We have wrote to Bombay for several succours, & more particularly for 2, or 300 Military, & six hundred Arabs, which We expect will be with Us as soon as the season will admit, if they can be spar'd.

If We find Mr. Hyde Parker merits the Promotion, you have directed; the same shall be conferr'd on him.

The Reverend Mr. Francis Fordyce arriving here from the West Coast, We have entertaind him as Chaplain, on the Usual Terms, from the first Ultimo, We shall also entertain the Reverend Mr. Rider when He arrives.

If Capt. Francis Cheyne shou'd offer to pay and Money into your Cash, towards the Discharge of his Bond, We shall receive the same, and grant him the usual Certificates, & in case of his Death, We shall follow Your Directions.

Seventhly Accounts

We are infinitely Concern'd among other Misfortunes, to acquaint you, that all the Books and Papers relating to your Honours affairs at Madrass, have met with the like Fate of that settlement, & are in possession of the French; which not only Greets Us, that they should fall under their Inspection, but renders Us at a great Loss to find out the Several Credits that are due to you; In which Circumstance, We shall make it Our Business from time to time to get the best Insight of, By Examination of the Conicoplys, who are now beginning to come [here] daily; and whatever Ballances We can find [on] shall be duly received & accounted for.

The State of Expences of this Garrison, and likewise the Debts outstanding in Our last Books Your Honours will be acquainted with, from [the] List inclos'd.

Eighthly of the West Coast

We have not as yet any advices from that Place, but as We apprehended they might be in Want [of] Necessaries, they having receiv'd none from this Coast [for] long time, We had freighted the ship Success as ℘ Consultation of the 27th. Febry, in order to send them the [usual] supplies; which ship, having, (after she had taken [down] her Loading of Rice at Vizagapatam) unluckily spru[ng a] Leak, has occasion'd the Loss of her Passage.

We purpose in few Days to dispatch the Lap[wing] with what Bales she can take in, and a few Necessaries for the Factory there, & shall send them a further [Supply] by the Fanny sloop a short time after ; which as she [will] return in August it will give Us an Opportuni[ty of] hearing from thence, & advising Your Honours [of] the State of that Garrison.

NINTHLY TOUCHING THE CHA[R]TERPARTY

The Charter among other Papers fell into [the] Hands of the French ; but We have a Copy here, which belongs to M^{r}. Hinde, which We shall keep by Us.

TENTHLY CONCERNING THE FRENCH & OTHER EUROPEAN NATIONS IN INDIA

The Proceedings of the French both at Madrass & Pondicherry have in General been so Cruel, & Inhumane, that they seem rather to imitate a Persecution than a War. They have refus'd the Commodore to Exchange a single Prisoner, notwithstanding the several they Owe Us : and We have some of theirs ; and on a sudden drove away all the Women and Children that had Liberty to stay at the Mount, plundering them of everything they had, and afterwards set Fire to their houses, and this at a time, when they were preparing to come against this Place.

They have been very busy in fortifying the White Town in Madrass, & have nearly destroy'd the Black.

By the best Accounts We learn from their own People they have deserted here, they have 1300 Europeans in Garrison at Pondicherry, & about 400 in Madrass, besides a large Number of Peons, & Coffrees at each Place. Indeed they have so many People that We may hope their Numbers alone will tend to their Destruction, as they are already in great scarcity of Provisions.

We are not at present in a thorough Capacity to make any material Attempts against Them, but so soon as We may be better enabled by a Reinforcement of the squadron, or otherwise ; M^{r}. Griffin has assur'd Us that no Industry or Endeavours shall be wanting on his Part, to revenge Our past Injuries to the utmost in his Power.

ELEVENTHLY OF HIS BRITANNICK MAJESTY'S SQUADRON

We have wrote Your Honours before, that the Commodore arriv'd at this Place with his squadron on the 2^{d}. March Consisting of the following ships ; The Princess
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Mary, Medway, Harwick, Winchester, Pearl, Preston, Medway's Prize, & Lively ; besides a Brigantine, fitted out for a fireship He still remains here, & keeps One ship off Madrass to prevent the Neptune & Princess Amelia from slipping away ; Others off Pondicherry and to the Southward: We should do that Gentleman a great piece of Injustice, if We did not mention him to Your Honours, he is every Way worthy of the Post he bears, & has the Company's Interest intirely at heart ; he only wants a Reinforcement to arrive soon, that he may have an Opportunity of putting Your Honours affairs in a better situation : than they are at present, & has often offer'd his advice and service to Us, whenever We shall have need of it.

SUPPLEMENT

The 30th. Ultimo We receiv'd Advice that the Exeter Capt. Weston, was prevented going into Madrass Road on the 20th. past, by his Majesty's ship the Pearl, she sail'd from the Cape on the 29th. November, and has been ever since beating about at sea : We hear she had buried 14 Men, & had 87 sick on board, & that she sail'd away for the Bay. We could wish she had waited for Our Orders, as the Supplies she might have brought, would have been of great service to Us.

The Original Bill of Lading for the Goods Consign'd to Bengal Presidency, by the Britannia was deliver'd to Our late Deputy Governour, & We doubt not was Carefully laid up by him; but as the Gentlemen that have had Inspection of his

Papers, have not been able to meet with it, We have been oblig'd therefore to Endorse the Copy Capt. Somner had of the Same, and hope Your Honours will have regard to the Unforeseen Circumstance, that has Occasion'd this Accident.

We must observe to Your Honours, that as all the Coral Books, amongst the rest, were lost with Madrass, & likewise several of the Diamond Merchants Invoices, We cannot particularly Specify, for what Ch[ests] of Coral returns are now made, And We are likewise to beg [of] Your Indulgence for any small Omissions or Irregularities which may happen in these Dispatches, We not having been so immediately Conversant in Business of this Nature.

There having been some stores deficient by this ship, as mention'd in Consultation of the 29th. Ultimo, We have Endors'd the back of the Bill of Lading, that the Owners may Account with you for it.

Commodore Griffin having deliver'd Us Bills on the Honble Commissioners of the Navy for the Amount of fifteen Hundred (1500) Dollars paid out of your Cash for the Use of his Majesty's squadron, We have Enclosed One of them in this Packet with a Letter of Advice thereof.

We have drawn on Your Honours by this ship a Bill of Exchange for 40 Pounds Sterling payable to Ann Reynolds or Order being the value of One Hundred (100) Pagodas receiv'd into Your Cash of Ensign Thomas Langford at 8 shills. ₽ Pagoda.

The Diamonds & precious stones that are laden on this ship in return for Coral and on other Accounts Amounts to Pagodas 68243. 1. 72. As ₽ particulars, in the register, Inclosed in this Packet.

Upon making up the Cash Acct. the 15th. April upon Mr. Hinde's Death, there was then a Ballance due to him, of Ps. 1839. 18. 18. which is Occasiond by Our not being able to get Gold to Coin Pagodas.

We sincerely Wish this ship a safe and speedy Voyage, and beg leave to assure that We are

Fort St. David — Honble

2d. May 1747. — Your most faithfull & most Obedient humble Servants

Charles Floyer.
Edward Croke.
William Holt.
Alexander Wynch.
Thomas Cooke *Junr.*

Postcript

At the request of Captain John Somner We have supplied him with two thousand, (2000) Pagodas, for the service of his ship agreable to the Terms of Charter Party & Enclos'd comes His Obligation for the same.

We have likewise furnishd Captain Robt. Osborne with the sum of four hundred Pagodas, for to defray his Expences to Europe which has engaged to be accountable for on his arrival there, & in this Packet you will receive his receipt for it.

We are &ca. as before.

Register of Diamonds & precious Stones Licensed by the Deputy Governour &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. David to be shipped on the Britannia Capt. John Somner by the following Persons in return for Coral, silver, & on other Acco^ts.

By George Jones & Levy Moses, Consign'd to Captain Timothy Tullie or Order.

[. . .]	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	P. 1118	27	—
	By Levy Moses Consign'd to Levy & Reuben Salomons or Order.			
[. . .] N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	1947	27	45
	In part returns for two Chests of Silver Marked LM N°. 1 & 2 Imported Anno 1747 ℘ Britannia.			
	By Moses Berend Heyman Consign'd to George Arnold Esqr. & M^r. Henry Isaacs.			
[. . .]	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	6737	4	25
	In part return for six Chests of silver imported ℘ Ship London 1746 Mark'd AI N°. 1 @ 6.			
	By Moses Berend Heyman [Con]-sign'd to M^r. Benjamin Isaacs.	...		
	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	[. . .]787	20	20
	In full return for two Chests of silver Mark'd BI N. 1 & 2 Imported ℘ ships Kent 1745 & London 1746.			
	By Solomon Salomons Consign'd to Messrs. Abraham & Jacob Franco in return for Coral & silver imported at Fort St George Consign'd to Abraham & Solomon Salomons.	..		
◇ AIF N°. 1 @ 5	Five Bulses of Diamonds value ...	19844	23	9
	By Solomon Salomons Consign'd to M^r. Phineas Serra in return for Coral & Silver Imported at Fort S^t. George to Abraham & Solomon Salomons.			
PS N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	2375	35	14
	By Solomon Salomons Consign'd to M^r. Natal Levy Sonsino in return for Coral Imported at Fort S^t. George to Abraham & Solomon Salomons.			
RE N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	342	[...]2	6
	By Solomon Salomons Consign'd to Messrs: Peter Meyer & Company in return for Coral Imported at Fort S^t. George to Abraham & Solomon Salomons.	...		
✠ P N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	36	[...]1	7
	By Solomon Salomons Consign'd to M^r. Francis Lopes Suassa In return for Coral & Silver imported at Fort S^t. George to Abraham & Solomon Salomons.			

$F^{S}L$ N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Solomon Salomons Consign'd to Mr. M[ose]s Espinosa In return for Coral and Silver Imported at Fort St. George to Abraham and Solom[on] Salomons.	485	6	13
ME N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Solomon Salomons Consign'd [to] Mr. Samuel Andries Levy In return for Coral & Silver Imported at Fort St. George to Ab[ra]ham & Solomon Salomons.	575	35	59
SAL N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Solomon Salomons Consign'd to Messrs. Abraham & Jacob Franco.	239	19	57
$A^{F}I$ N°. 3 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Solomon Salomons Consigned to Mr. Isaac Alvares.	2000	—	—
IA N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... .. By Solomon Salomons Consigned to Messrs. Joseph and David Franco.	500	—	—
$I^{F}D$ N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Solomon Salomons Consigned to Messrs. Aaron Franks and David Salomons.	700	—	—
$A^{S}F$ N°. 1 & 2	Two Bulses of Diamonds Value .. ... By Solomon Salomons Consigned to Mr. Naphtali Franks.	5425	20	20
N F N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Solomon Salomons Consign'd to Mr. Henry Fines.	2050	—	—
[H]F N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Mr. Benjn. Mendes Da Costa in return for Coral.	1256	31	44
BMDC N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Joseph Fowke Consigned to Jacob Salvadore in return for Coral.	4840	3	40
IS N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Benjamin Alvarenga and Company in return for Coral.	6399	24	2[...]
$D^{v}F$ N°. 4 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Benj[ami]n Alvarenga & Company In return for Coral.	196	19	65
$F_{A}B$ N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Natal Levy Sonsino In return for Coral.	[...]17	26	60
L S N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Joseph Marquer Junr. in return of Coral & Silver.	3145	16	28

I M I N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By JOSEPH FOWKE Consign'd to JAMES PORTEN. In return for Coral.	2265	19	73
T$_B$O N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By JOSEPH FOWKE Consign'd to JACOB SALVADORE.	83	9	17
I F N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By JOSEPH FOWKE Consign'd to BENJAMIN MENDES DA COSTA in return for Coral.	1000	—	—
BMDC N°. 2 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By JOHN HOLLAND Consign'd to PETER WALDO.			3
I H N°. 1 ...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By GEORGE JONES & LEVY MOSES Consign'd to Messrs: JOHN GODDARD and LEVY MOSES.	984	31	40
M N°. 1 & 2	Two Boxes Garnets Value	450	—	—
	Pagodas ...	68243	1	72

FORT St. DAVID
THE 3D: MAY 1747

ERRORS EXCEPTED
ꝑ THOMAS COOKE *Junr.*
Secry.

LIST OF PAPERS ENCLOS'D IN THE BRITANNIA'S PACKET MARKED A.

N°. 1. Letter from the Governour & Council to the Court of Directors Dated 2d. May 1747.
2. Copy of the last Letter to the Court of Directors Dated 10th. Jañry 1746-7.
3. Invoice of ship Britannia's Cargo amounting to Pagodas 147994 : 15 : 34.
4. Bill of Lading for the Britannia's Europe Cargo.
5. List of Packing stuff on 1784 Bales laden on board the Britannia at Fort St. David.
6. The Britannia's Account Tonnage.
7. List of the Britannia's Ammunition & Warlike stores.
8. Muster Roll of the Britannia's Men.
9. Register of Diamonds & Precious stones shipped on the Britannia.
10. Capt. Somner's Obligation for Pags. 2000 supplied him with agreable to the Terms of the Britannia's Charter Party.
11. Capt. Osborne's Obligation for Pags. 400 supplied him with.
12. Andeapah Moodelaire's Account for the year 1746.
13. Narrain Chitty's Account for the year 1746.
14. Irshapah Chitty's Account for the year 1746.
15. Account of the Investment for the year 1746.
16. Calculate of the Expences & Revenues of this settlement for the year 1746 Compar'd with the former.
17. List of the Hoñble Companys Revenues for the year 1746.

18. List of Debts outstanding in Books Letter T T Ending April 1746.
19. Abstracts of the Sea Customs of Cuddalore for the year 1746.
20. Abstracts of the Land Customs of Cuddalore for the year 1746.
21. Abstracts of the Sea & Land Customs of Tevenapatam for the year 1746.
22. Calculate of the Broad Cloth & Treasure remaining at Fort St. David.
23. Surgeon's Indent for Medecines.
24. Storekeeper's Indent.
25. Assay Master's Indent.
26. Musters of Pagodas and Rupees.
27. List of the Hon̄ble Com̄pys Covenanted servants on the Coast of Choromandel for the year 1746.
28. List of the Madrass Company's servants & Inhabitants where residing, & how dispersed.
29. List of the Inhabitants of Fort St. David.
30. Muster Roll of the four Companies of Foot Soldiers, and Gunroom Crew.
31. List of Marriages, Christnings, and Burials for the year 1746.
32. Surgeon's List of Deaths for the year 1746.
33. Copy of the Governour & Council's Protest against Capt. John Somner for not receiving on board his Charter Party Tonnage.
34. Bill of Exchange for 500 £s. on the Hon̄ble the Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy payable to the United East India Company.
35. Letter of Advice on Ditto.
36. List of shipping belonging to the French known to be in India in April 1747.
37. List of Iron Ordnance laden on the Britannia.
38. Import Warehousekeeper's Indent.
39. Copy of Capt. John Somner's Dispatch.
40. List of Books ℘ ship Britannia.
41. List of Papers in the Britannia's Packet.
42. Plan of Fort St. David with the New Works on Hand.

Fort St. David
the 2d. May 1747.

List of Books ℘ ship Britannia in Box Marked B.

Consultations Commencing Primo Jan̄ry 1745/6 Ending Ultimo Decr. 1746.
Consultations Commencing Primo Jan̄ry 1746/7 to 2d. May 1747.
Letters Receiv'd Commencing Primo Jan̄ry 1745/6 Ending Ulto. Decr. 1746.
Letters Receiv'd Commencing Primo Jan̄ry 1746/7 to the 2d. May 1747.
Letters Sent Commencing Primo Jan̄ry 1745/6 Ending Ulto. Decr. 1746.
Letters Sent Commencing Primo Jan̄ry 1746/7 to the 2d. May 1747.
General Books Letter T T Ending April 1746.
Paymaster's Accounts for the year 1746.
Cuddalore Sea Customer's Account for the year 1746.
Cuddalore Land Customer's Account for the year 1746.
Tevenapatam Sea and Land Customer's Accot. for the year 1746.
Cowles & Commissions Commencing Primo November 1746 Ending 2d. May 1747.

General Letter to the Company, Dated May 15, 1747. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, pp. 40–42.*]

To the Honourable the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the Honourable
the United Company of Merchants of England
Trading to the East Indies.

Honourable

We address'd Your Honours under the 2^d^. Instant by the ship Britannia who Sail'd hence the 4th. following. This waits on your Honours by your Ship [Lapwing] who we now dispatch to Bencoolen agreable [to the instruc]tions receiv'd by Her with two hundred Bales of [Broad cloth] And some necessary supplies for that Place, the [. . .] We have directed the Deputy Governour & Councill [. . .] & fill her up with Pepper, & to dispatch her home [as soon] as possible after Her Arrival.

We have Inclos'd in this Packet Duplicate of Our last Letter, and likewise all other Material papers by the Britannia, as mentiond in the accompanying List.

The Council of War held on the 29th. April as Inserted in Our Consultations by the Britannia having Appointed a Committee of Officers to represent whatever might Occurr to them for the Preservation of the Garrison, they have since deliver'd in their Report thereon, Copy of which We think proper to send Your Honours by this Opportunity.

M^r^. William Belsches Agent for the Sick and Wounded of his Majesty's Squadron having delivered in his Accounts attested by the Commodore for the time being, We have Enclos'd them to you, having paid Him the several Amounts, being in all, Pag^s^. 2984. fs. 12. and have debted Account Currant London for the same, as We have likewise done for Sundry Stores supply'd this ship by the Request of Capt. Cheyne, Amounting to Pagodas 645. 17. 2.

We being lately advis'd that Ensign Van Franken was very busy among the French after the Surrendry of Madrass, and did actually give Monsr. De La Bourdonnais a Plan of the Town; for This, & other Misdemeanours by Him Committed, We have dismiss'd Him from Your Honours service, & sent him to Europe on the Lapwing. The Capt. having strict Orders not to let him go on Shore, at any Place She may touch at.

The Diamonds Register'd by this ship amount to Pagodas, 3275. 22. 40.

This being all that is material, since the Date of Our last, We beg leave to Conclude with assuring You We shall be always Carefull and Diligent to promote Your Honour's Interest, as We are with the utmost Fidelity and Respect.

Honourable
Your most faithfull &
most Obedient Humble Servants

Fort S^t^. David
May 15th. 1747.

Charles Floyer.
Edward Croke.
William Holt.
Alexander Wynch.
Thomas Cooke *Junr.*

Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones Licensed by the Deputy Governour & Council to be shipp'd on board the Lapwing Cap^r. Fran^s. Cheyne.

By John Hollond Consigned to Peter Waldo or Order.

I H N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	P. 1275	22	4[0]
I F N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	2000	—	—
	Pagodas	3275	22	40

(By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Jacob Salvadore.)

Fort S^r. David
May 15th. 1747.

Errors Excepted.
℘ Thomas Cooke *Junr.*
Secry.

List of Papers Enclos'd in the Lapwing's Packet.

N°. 1. Letter from the Gevernour & Council to the Court of Directors Dated 15th. May 1747.

2. Copy of the last Letter to the Court of Directors dated 2^d. May 1747.

3. Duplicate Invoice of ship Britannia's Cargo Amounting to Pagodas 147994. 15. 34.

4. Invoice of 200 Bales laden on Ship Lapwing Amounting to Pagodas 13316. — 52.

5. Duplicate Bill of Lading for the Britannia's Europe Cargo.

6. Duplicate List of Packing stuff on 1784 Bales laden on board the Britannia at Fort S^t. David.

7. List of Packing stuff on 200 Bales laden on Ship Lapwing.

8. First Bill of Lading for the Lapwing's Europe Cargo.

9. Duplicate Account of the Britannia's Tonnage.

10. Duplicate Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones shipp'd on the Britannia Amount^s. to Pag^s. 68243. 1. 72.

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33. Duplicate of the Surgeons List of Deaths for the year 1[746].

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39. Copy of Capt. John Somner's Dispatch.

40. Duplicate List of Books ℘ Ship Britannia.

41. Duplicate List of Papers in the Britannia's Packet.

42. Military Officers Report dated 1st. May 1747.

43. Acc^t^. of Disbursements for the Use of his Majesty's Hospital deliver'd in by Will: Belsches Agent, & Tickets for receiving the Sick & Wounded.

44. List of Papers in the Lapwing's Packet.

Fort S^t^. David

15th. May 1747.

General Letter to the Company, dated August 19, 1747. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, pp. 45–49.*]

To the Honourable the Court of Directors
for affairs of the Honourable
the United Company of Merchants of England
Trading to the East Indies.

Honourable

Our last advices to your Honours bore date the 15th. May Duplicate whereof you will receive in this Packet.

On the 28th. following arrived in this road from Bombay the ships Severn, Warwick and Ilchester together with the Princess Augusta lately ransomed, the former of which having dispatches for Europe & being in readiness to proceed agreeable thereto. We make use of the opportunity to address your Honours by her.

We must therefore begin with acquainting you that in consequence of the applications we made to the President & Council of Bombay, We have received by the foregoing ships a Reinforce^{t}. of 370 Men as Likewise some large Cannon and many other articles that we were much in need of, and for which we are greatly obliged to them as we persuade ourselves they assisted us to the utmost Extent the safety of their own Garrison would admit, though least your Honours may Entertain too great an opinion of this additional strength. We must observe that there were only seventy Europeans in the whole Reinforcement. We have since had sent us from the Gentlemen at Tellicherry a further Recruit of 225 Seapoys who Came Overland and arrived safe with us a month past.

We are sorry to acquaint your Honours that notwithstanding the supply abovementioned we have not above 300 able bodied Europeans in Garrison, and by the best accounts we can get the French are resolved to attack us as soon as M^{r}. Griffin goes off the Coast, they can bring against us from twelve to fourteen hundred Europeans and they are too sensible of the disadvantage this Place is to them to let us remain quiet. In short the Case is this and the Enemy knows it full well that if they are not Masters of this Place before the month of January in all likelihood Pondicherry will then be Lost & Madrass will fall of Course, We have a large Number of Topasses & Peons, but little is to be expected from them, further than to relieve the Europeans in mounting Guard & going the rounds.

In this packet your Honours will receive a Plan of the Fort and the whole design of the Works on hand about it, We have proceeded on it as far as possible the Time would admit and considering it as a Large undertaking we think we have made a tolerable progress therein.

On the 19th. Ult^{o}. we met at a Council of war the Resolution of which we have Enclosed to you in this Packet wherein you will observe it was the decree of the Council to Erect a Battery at the Burying Ground and to fortify the Points in Tevenepatnam for the present defence of the Place, the same was therefore set about immediately and is now clearly compleated, as also to Clear all Teve[na]patam the remainder of the Coleway & the houses about the washers Town & also to Levell the Banks of the Great Tank there.

Having remarked to you in our Letter by the [ship] Britannia the want of an Experienced head Officer and our Milit[ary] being since Increased by the arrival of the Bombay Forces and the whole being divided into five bodies, We at Length found the appointment of such a Person become absolutely necessary for the better regulating the Garrison; We therefore in this Case applyed to M^{r}. Griffin to know if he could recommend any Person in his squadron proper for that Charge. On which he was so kind to oblige us with the offer of the Captain of Marines belonging to his own Ship Captain George Gibson, whom he had always Esteem'd as a capable and experienced Officer. We accordingly thank'd the Commodore for this favour and afterwards prevailed on that Gentlemen to accept of being Captain Commandant of the Garrison for the present Time, and we have given him a Commission to act in that Capacity.

We have Likewise from the want of Officers in general been obliged to prevail on several of the young Gentlemen that were Writers at Madrass to take up Ensign's Commissions and to Qualify themselves accordingly.

We are also upon regulating our Train of Artillery having put them under the Command of M^{r}. George Jones whom We purpose shall act with a Commission and have appointed Ensigns to assist him.

The near approach of the season in which We shall be left to ourselves has lately occasioned us to Examine into the whole strength of our Garrison which as we have already notified to you is not above 300 Effective Europeans, as our Chiefest Dependance were on them and they being very inconsiderable to the Number the Enemy can at any Time produce against us, We thought it not improper to make representation of these our Circumstances to the Commodore, a Copy of our Letter on this subject with his answer waits on your Honours in this Packet.

For want of money we have been able to do but little towards an Investment nor indeed have we proper Places to Cure it in, with what remains of last years we have 800 Bales white & Brown which we shall secure in the Warwick & Princess Augusta, and send them to Bengal if we are advised the Coast is clear, that of the Northern Factories we likewise fear has greatly suffered by being deprived of a Large supply of money We sent them by a ship that we hear has overshot her Port & is supposed to have proceeded for Bengall, it is a matter of real Concern to us that we have not a more agreeable account to Give you on this subject.

We could also wish it had been in our Power to have Complied with your Honour's Directions in remitting any Quantity of Treasure to the Bay, as we have received very importunate requests from the President & Council there for the same but the considerable Charge of our Garrison & Buildings, as well as many other material Expences has rendered our Necessities so pressing that we were no ways in a Capacity to assist them therein as otherwise we should with the greatest alacrity.

On the 18th. June arrived in this Road your Honour's Snow Swift from England & St. Helena, she has since been on a Cruize off Zeylone from whence she is returned & is now with us.

The Houghton Capt. Worth we are informed arrived at Bengall on the 5th. April having gone to Bencoolen after her departure from hence she proceeded from that place to the Bay, the Gentlemen there on his arrival having thought proper to require his reasons for Leaving us in the manner we have before advised you which he having deliver'd to them, and a Copy thereof being sent us, We inclose them to your Honours with a Couple of Consultations that were held on board on that occasion, In the former of which he makes use of a Caution suspecting this to be a French Garrison and that the Letters he received from Mr. Hinde were counterfeited but no mention of this appearing in his Consultation We rather beleive he acquired this Plea from the Circumstances of the Capture of the Princess Amelia, We doubt not your Honours will form a right Judgement thereon.

The Bombay Castle Capt. Brown likewise arrived here on the 1st. Instant from Bencoolen and brought us advices from that settlement under the 2nd. Ulto. at which Time the Lapwing was taking her Pepper for Europe and Every thing was well with them.

The Treasure and Stores consigned for Madrass & Bengall by this ship We have received ashore which are very serviceable to our Occasions.

The Norfolk we are advised arrived safe at Bencoolen where meeting with Advices that Benjar was blocked up by the Dutch and no English Vessel permitted to go there, the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbrô thought proper to alter her Voyage to China to which Place she accordingly proceeded.

The Warwick & Ilchester having fallen under our orders on their arrival from Bombay, seeing no immediate Occasion for them in your Honour's Service led us to Consider the Assistance they might be of to serve in his Majesties squadron and upon the reflection of the Large sea force the Enemy is known to have in India as likewise the Probability there is that they will Exert themselves to the utmost to disable our squadron on the preservation of which the Company's Interest & the Nation's honour are so deeply Concerned, & as it might farther be imagined that this would be a critical year in which Large Events might be Expected, For these Reasons We thought we Could not Employ them better at this Juncture than in putting them under the Direction of the Commodore, and accordingly came to a resolution of so doing as we have since done the Princess Augusta and Bombay Castle, and We hope your Honours will accept the f[or]egoing Motives for our justification herein, the Warwick is since returned over to our Service.

We have received into your Cash the sum of 600 Pagodas of Silas Foster and have given Bills on your Honours for the amount at 7s : 8d in favour of Jane Foster or order.

The Diamonds Registered by this Ship amount to Pagodas 12980. 25. 32 as per the accompanying Account thereof.

We daily look out for the arrival of this year's shipping and have the honour to remain with the utmost fidelity and Respect

FORT S^r^. DAVID
AUG^r^. 19 : 1747

HONOURABLE
Your most faithful
and most obedient humble servants.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
THOMAS COOK *Junr.*

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS AND PRECIOUS STONES LICENCED BY THE DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^T^. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. DAVID TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE SEVERN CAP^T^. JOS: COLLIER IN RETURN FOR SILVER & OTHER A[RTICLES].

	By JOSEPH FOWKE consigned to M^r^. BENJAMIN MENDES DA COSTA.				
MM N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value — — In full returns for a Chest of silver mark'd MM N°. 1 Imported ℣ Bombay Castle.	Pag^s^.	2070	11	--
	By JOSEPH FOWKE Consigned to JACOB SALVADORE.				
I F N°. 3	One Bulse Diamonds Value — —		2000	--	--
	By MOSES BEREND HEYMAN Consigned to Messrs. HENRY ISAAC & JOSEPH SOLOMONS				
IS N°. 1	One Bulse Diamonds value — —	Pag^s^.	1864	13	40
	By D°. Consigned to Messrs. Levy & RUBEN SOLOMONS.				
L R S N°. 2	One Bulse Diamonds value — —	Pag^s^.	2000	27	—
	By Capt. JOHN HOLLAND Consigned to PETER WALDO.				
† H N°. 3	One Bulse Diamonds Value -- --	Pag^s^.	1275	22	40
	By LEVY MOSES Consigned to LEVY & RUBEN SOLOMONS.				
L M N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value — — being in full returns for two Chests of silver mark'd L M N°. 1 & 2 ℣ Britannia 1747.	Pag^s^.	1932	35	32
	By LEVY MOSES Consigned to TIMOTHY TULLIE or order.				
T T N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value -- —	Pag^s^.	1170	—	--
	By LEVY MOSES and GEORGE JONES Consigned to JOHN GODDARD and HENRY MOSES or order.				
I M --	One Bulse of Diamonds Value -- --	Pag^s^.	666	24	--
	Augt. 19th. 1747 —		12980	25	32

Errors Excepted
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THOMAS COOKE *Junr.*
Secretary.

List of Papers Enclosed in the Packet ℘ Ship Severn.

1. General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors dated 20th. Augt. 1747.
2. Duplicate general Letter dated 15th. May 1747.
3. Plan of Fort St. David with the Works designed.
4. Copy of a Council of war held the 19th. July 1747.
5. Letter to Commodore Griffin dated 17 Augt. 1747.
6. Commodore Griffin's reply dated Augt. 18th : 1747.
7. Capt. Worth's representation to the Governour & Council of Bengal dated 14th. April 1747.
8. Copy of a Consultation held on board the ship Houghton Sepr. 17th. 1746.
9. Copy of a Consultation held on board the ship 5th. December 1746.
10. Register of Diamonds ℘ ship Severn amounting to Pags. 12980 : 25 : 32.
11. List of the Packet.

Fort St. David August 20th. 1747.

General Letter to the Company, dated September 27, 1747. [*Public Despatches to England, Volume 16, pages 51 & 52.*]

To the Honourable the Court of Directors
for affairs of the Honourable the United
Company of Merchants of England
Trading to the East Indies.

Honourable

Our last Address to your Honours was by the Severn Capt. Collier she sail'd from hence the 20th. ultimo.

Agreeable to what We wrote your Hons. by that ship we have since Loaded on the Princess Augusta 485 Bales and on the Warwick 411, the former sail'd for the West Coast the 3rd. Inst. as did the other for Bengal on the 13th. when Capt. Misenor being very ill could not proceed on the ship, He dyed the Night of her Departure & Mr. Ward her chief Mate has now the Command of her.

The Ilchester sail'd in Company with the squadron from hence the 20th. Inst. as did the Bombay Castle the first will be Dispatch'd by Mr. Griffin at our Desire agreeable to the Directions we receiv'd from Bombay by that ship, the other remains in his Majesty's service.

Two days past We receiv'd Advice that the Boneta sloop belonging to your Honours arriv'd at Tellicherry from Bombay the 2nd. Inst., she brings Advice that the Portfield Capt. D'Abbardie was safe arriv'd at Mocha, but no other ship from Europe, & none arriv'd at Bombay the 21st. August.

The President & Council at Bengal Advise us they are sending up the Princess of Wales with a supply of men & stores for the Garrison, both which will be serviceable to us but as it now grows Late we wish no Accidt. has happen'd to her, two ships are arriv'd here with Rice from that place & We daily expect others, so that we cannot be in want of that necessary Article before we may Expect a further supply in January.

It is reported that Monsr. La Bourdonnais is certainly gone for Europe from the Islands wth. five ships under his Command & that the Phoenix is laid up as unfit for service.

Three of the four ships that Winterd at Goa were at Mangulore the 11th. Inst. Loading with Rice there suppos'd as a supply for Pondicherry, the other We believe was not in a condition to Come out with them.

We have the pleasure to advise your Honours that the Late Princess Mary is lost at Gogo with a Loading of Rice, but most of her Men are sav'd.

The Success sloop sail'd from Bencoolen the 1st. August & arriv'd here the 12th. Ins^{t}. the Master advises your Honours ship the Lapwing sail'd for England the 6th. July & acquaints us that five Days after he Left Bencoolen he saw a large ship at a Distance which he Beleives to be your Hon^{rs}. store ship for that place.

The Brilliant Snow sail'd from hence for that port with stores the 20th. Ins^{t}.

We are sorry we cannot acquaint your Honours of the arrival of any of the outward bound shipping, at present we have no news of them, but hope they are safe arriv'd at the Bay.

Upon Nozerjung coming to these Parts we sent a Vakeel to him to Desire his Assistance, he has been well rec'd at the Camp, & we are in great hopes that a body of his Troops will soon arrive here to protect us, althô this will be very expensive to your Honours, yet We think you cannot Disapprove of it, it being the only means left for the security of this place, as we have already advis'd your Honours Commodore Griffin Left this place the 20th, with his Majesty's squadron.

This being the material of what has happen'd since our last We beg Leave to remain with all sincerity & Respect.

Honourable.

Your most faithfull & most obed^{t} hble serv^{ts}.

Charles Floyer.
Edward Croke.
Willm. Holt.
Alex^{r}. Wynch.
Thos. Cooke *Junr*.

Postcript

Since closing our foregoing advices to your Honours We have receiv'd Letters from Vizagapatam informing of the Arrival of the Oxford Capt. Thomas Stevens at that place on the 29th. Ult^{o}., he made the Coast on the 25th. & was happily inform'd of the Loss of Madrass by a Cattamaran that went off to him from S^{t}. Thomê, on his arriving at Vizagapatam & hearing of some French shipping at Ballasore he resolv'd on coming hither immediately, but a Country ship nam'd the Fanny calling in there from Bengal, & Advising that all was safe there, he thereupon alter'd his resolution to proceed thither, upon which the Chief & Council thought necessary to order him to Land his pacquet & Military as Likewise 50 pipes of Madeira wine in order to Transmit them to us by the Princess of Wales then hourly Expected from Bengall bound to this place.

The Capt. of the Fanny informs us that he past Madrass & his Majesties squadron were all there, that the Neptune was then in a blaze & he beleives the Princess Amelia has e'er this met with the same fate or drove ashore.

Fort S^{t}. David
27th. Sepr. 1747.

We are
Honourable
Your most faithful &
most obed^{t}. humble serv^{ts}.

Charles Floyer.
Edward Croke.
William Holt.
Alexander Wynch.
Thos. Cooke.

LETTER TO THE ENGLISH CONSUL AT COPENHAGEN, DATED SEPTEMBER 27, 1747.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, p. 53.*]

TO THE ENGLISH CONSUL
AT COPENHAGEN.

SIR

This comes to Desire you will please to forward the enclos'd pacquet, directed to the honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the honourable the united Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies by the first opportunity. We are.

SIR

FORT S^r. DAVID.

THE 27TH. SEP^R. 1747.

Your most humble serv^ts.

CHARLES FLOYER
&c^r. COUNCIL.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED FEBRUARY 13, 1748. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, pp. 54—81.*]

TO THE HON'BLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE UNITED COMPANY OF
MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND
TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

1. Our last general Address to your Honours bore date 2^d. May last and went by the ship Britannia, who sailed hence the 4th. following. We have since done Ourselves the Honour to address You by the several Opportunities hereafter mentioned. By the Lapwing under date the 15th. May, by the Severn dated 19". August, and by a Danes ship from Tranquebar of the 26th. September.

2. This waits on your Honours by the ship Warwick whom the President & Council of Bengall having laden for Europe have order'd to call here, on purpose to take in such Packetts & Advices, as We might have Occasion to send by her, which being the only Opportunity We hope for this season, We make use of it to give You the needfull Occurrences of the past year under the Established heads.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING

3. The first thing that presents itself to Us under this head is the Capture of the Anson, Captain Foulis by two french Privateers named the Apollo and Anglesea, just as she was going into Bombay on the 2^d. September, but making a brave defence for the space of two hours and a half, she had the good Fortune to save her Treasure & Packetts, before she struck, by the means of a Boat that put on board her, & carried them into Bombay.

4. The Portfield from Mocha very [. . .] escaped them a few days before by M^r. Wake's se [. . .] Boats to tow her into Bassein.

5. Shortly after the Receipt of this news W[e] had the additional Concern to hear of the Heathcote being lost upon the Island of Socotra as She was outward bound but that most of her men, and about Fourteen thousand Dollars were saved out of her.

6. The Sloop Success belonging to your honours that was sent hither with advices from the West Coast, drove on shore here on the 6th. December by stress of Weather.

7. The Warwick and Illchester having been discharged by the Commodore from the service of the squadron by Reason of their being weakly manned, We thereupon loaded on the former our Remaining Bales and dispatched her to Bengall, the latter We thought proper to send to Anjengo, in Consequence of the Directions recd from the President & Council of Bombay, from when she sailed to Europe fully loaded on the 12th. December.

8. The Princess Augusta We dispatched to the West Coast on the 2d. September with four hundred & Eighty Five Bales to be forwarded to Europe by any Tonnage that might offer them thence, directing the Deputy Govr: & Council to put on board her (after the delivery of her Bales) a Chest of Treasure on your Honour's Account, & to send her to Batavia for a Loading of Timber and Planks, & then to return hither, which We are in daily Expectation of.

9. The Brilliant We have spared on a private service to the Commodore.

10. Your honour's Snow George, arrived at Anjengo the 8 October, and at this place the 30. December, By her We receiv'd your Letter of the 15 April, adviseing of the Secret Committee for the Current year, whose orders shall be strictly obey'd by us on all Occasions.

11. Commodore Griffin with the Squadron left this Place on the 20 September, and sailed to the Northward, on the 27. We heard of his being off Madrass, and that He had sent the Neptune in a Blaze, and had designs of doing the like by the Princess Amelia, but the Weather not favouring his Intentions. He could only cause her to run on shore, and then left her, putting out to sea with the squadron, after which she gott off again, and came down to Pondicherry, where after a fortnight's stay, and taking in about 1200 Bales of Blue & white Cloth, She slipped out of the Road at night and is supposed to be gone for the Islands.

12. The Commodore after keeping the sea with part of the squadron during the course of the Monsoon, came into the Road on the 11. November in the Princess Mary together with the Medway & Pearl, the two latter of which ships having very sickly Company's she was obliged to land a great number of them, so many as even to render the ships unfitt for service, in which extremity He made Application to Us to spare him a Reinforcement of Men out of the Garrison as will more fully appear to your honour's in our Consultation of the 16 November.

13. In the same Consultation Your Honours will please to observe that the Bombay Castle was a second time put under his Direction.

14. The Oxford Captain Tho: Stevens arriv'd at Vizagapatam on the 29. August where after landing his Packetts for Madrass Presidency and 40 Pipes of Madeira by order of the Chief and Council there, He then proceeded to the Bay from whence she arrived here on the 15. Ult. and We have come to a Resolution of dispatching her to the West Coast with supplies for that settlement, and afterwards to proceed to Batavia for a loading of Arrack, and lower masts and Anchors for the service of the squadron, and purpose to have her ready to sail with this ship.

15. On the 23d. December arrived at Ballasore your Honours ships Eastcourt, Cæsar, Winchelsea, Colchester and Benjamin, under convoy of his Majesty's ships Exeter York and Eltham, where hearing of the squadron, and situation of the Coast, all but the Eastcourt and Cæsar proceeded hither, and have been all with Us, By those ships We received your Honour's Favours under the 16. Janry & 18. Febry 1746 and by the Princess of Wales came to hand that of the 6th. June.

16. Your Honours ship Exeter has likewise arriv'd here from Bengall whom together with the Winchelsea & Benjamin We have added to the strength of his Majesty's squadron by putting them under the Direction of the Commodore, He having intimated his Occasion for them.

17. The Colchester sailed again the 11th. instant for Bengall having order'd her to touch at Vizagapatam to land some treasure and stores sent by her for their Use.

18. We have great hopes of the speedy Arrival of the Reinforcement of shipping mentioned first from Mr. Bourchier at Anjengo and afterwards from Mr. Wake, which He recd from the Chief at Bussorah, the former of which came to hand the 16. Janry. & the latter the 10th. instant.

19. Since our Advices to your Honours ℔ Britania We have granted the usual Certificates to Captain Thomas Harry for the sum of 500 Pagodas, also to Captain Jedd for the sum of 700 Pagodas being so much recd of them into your Cash, on Acct. of their outward Bound Priviledge.

20. We have also enclosed in this Packett the Receipts of Captain Thomas Harry and Captain Thomas Stevens the former being for 800 & the latter for a 1000 Pagodas supplied them with on Acct. of the CharterParty of ships Prss of Wales and Oxford.

21. We are likewise to advise of having granted two setts of Certificates to Captain Thomas Stevens, One of which for the sum of 100 Pagodas paid in by him on Acct. of the Estate of Baker Townsend the other for the sum of Eighty six Pagodas, amount of the estate of Joseph Tarboton as specified in the said certificates.

Secondly of Goods from Europe or from One Part of India to be disposed of at another

22. The Norfolk importing at Fort Marlbrô designing for Banjar, but afterwards for China, The Governour & Council of Fort Marlbro transported the Copper, Pitch and Tarr brought out by that ship on board the Bombay Castle, Capt. Brown, and consigned them to Bengall as by Letters recd from that settlement N°. 57 & 58. which ship being afterwards order'd by them to this Place, We immediately landed such part of it as the Commander did not require for the present Kentledge of the ship, she being immediately order'd in the service of the squadron, and soon after employed on a Cruize so We had not opportunity of lading the Remainder till the 3d. instant, when an Order was tender'd Captain Brown for that Purpose: of that part that was landed on her Arrival We disposed of upwards of 61 Candy at this Place and the Residue We consigned to the Gentlemen at the Bay by the Warwick, the Pitch and Tarr We detained at this Place for the supply of his Majesty's squadron, who were much in want of it.

We have since caused them to be taken down and such Part of it as may not appear to be damaged, may be repacked in order to be farther'd to the Bay by the first proper Conveyance, & what ever part is damaged We have resolved to keep for the Package of the Bales.

The President & Council of Bengall having apply'd to Us as ℔ Letter recd N°. 41. to procure them 400 Tonns of Redwood We accordingly contracted for the same to be deliver'd at Dougarassapatam, where it has been ready provided ever since August last, but as yet We have not been able to procure any Tonnage for it.

Out of the 100 Pipes of Madeira consigned to Madrass Presidency ℔ Oxford, Forty were landed at Vizagapatam Twelve of which We received by the Prss of Wales, and Twenty more were laden on the Fort St. George a Country ship that was then coming hither, but being chased off Madrass by one of his Majesty's ships, and believing her to be the Prss Amelia, she bore away for the Eastward, and has never yett arrived. 8 Pipes were detained at Vizagapatam for their Occasions, the other 60 We have recd from Bengall by the Oxford and is safely landed with Us, what part is sold of it has been at the Rate of 50 Pagodas ℔ Pipe, and We believe will be shortly all disposed of.

After disposing of as much of the Broad Cloth recd by the Britannia as the Demands of this Place required We forwarded the Remainder to Bengall on the ship Jenny in September last, since which We have been informed by the President

& Council that a great part of it proved considerably damaged as by their Account thereof enclosed. We have made due Enquiry into that matter, and have all Reason to suppose it must have been damaged in England as by the Committee of this Board's Report, as enter'd after Consultation of the 30th. Ultimo.

THIRDLY OF THE INVESTMENT

Since the Britannia's Dispatch to your Honrs: We have laden on ship Lapwing 200 Bales We have since laden on the Princess Augusta for the West Coast 485 Bales and on the Warwick for Bengall 411 and We have now 22 remaining, the Reason for a part of them being sent to the Bay unwasht was occasion'd by the Alarms of the French which hinder'd Us from having them cured as usual, and our Beating Godown and other Conveniencies being at that time pulled down.

The 11th. May last We took into Consideration the state of the Investment and agreed to make some Advances therein as the Ballance of Cash and Quantity of Treasure unsold was to a pretty large Amount The Merchants were called in and discoursed on the subject of the Investmt. endeavouring to abate the Prices which they agreed to a Pagoda and a half ℔ Corge which as We thought they might very well afford considering the cheapness of Cotton and the little Demand at that time from our Enemies We pressed them to a further Abatement as some other Merchants made proposals to provide at a still cheaper Rate, Upon due Examination of their several proposals, finding those of Audiapa's sett to be as Reasonable and cheap as of those who sett in Opposition to him, as He had greatly recommended himself the two past years, and being better acquainted in the Business, likewise a Man of more credit, It was thought more for our Honble Master's Interest to continue it to them, No certain Number of Bales was agreed for as they promised they would lett Us have to as large an amount as We would advance them for. They were accordingly advanced as much as We thought We could then well spare, and the several Prices they agreed for mentioned in Consultation of the same day. We were soon after obliged to desist from making them further advances as We were disappointed in the ship's Arrival with the Treasure intended Us. We had the finest prospect of making a large Investment had We been so happy as to receive the intended supply, for the Merchants assured Us they could provide to As large an Amount as We thought proper to employ them in As there is little Likelyhood of our engaging further in the Investment till the Heat of the War is abated and We are more in Cash, We have thought proper very shortly to make a Demand on the Merchants for their Ballances, the Accounts whereof come to your Honrs. Enclosed.

The Ballances due from the Old Sett of Merchants have been demanded of them, the major part of which being due from Mootal, who is now negociating Affairs with the Country Government, We have not yett been able to receive them but shall not fail of bringing them to Complyance the first Opportunity.

We flatterd Ourselves with the hopes of getting a good number of Bales from the Northern Settlements, but their being disappointed of a supply of Money intended them by the Jenny who passed their Port, We were deprived of that satisfaction, and not being able to supply them with any since except 20,000 Rupees sent them by the Colchester to defray the Expences of their Factories, We have recommended them to the Care of the Govr: & Council of Fort William to send them the necessary supplies of Money for carrying on the Investment at those settlements, as they seem to be little engaged in the War, and as We are sensible of how great Advantage It must be to the Honble Company to receive an Investment of Coast Goods. We have no particular Account of the number of Bales they have laden on the Houghton, We must therefore beg Leave to refer your Honours to the Advices you'll receive from Bengall. Ten Bales of Ingeram Goods of the year 1746 being found damaged, which was occasioned by the Leakiness of the Vessel they were sent upon, and as We were well persuaded of Mr. Saunders's having provided the Best Conveyance He could, We agreed to take them on the Compy's Account.

Having a large Quantity of Torn and damaged Cloth at the time of the Loss of Madrass, which We had applyed to the President & Council for their Directions

about as by Letter of the 3d. June 1746. but not receiving any, the Warehousekeeper reminded Mr. Hinde of it, but He falling sick soon after, occasioned it to be deferred till 19. Augt: when the Warehousekeeper represented it to the Board. It was thought more for your Honour's Interest to dispose of the same at Outcry, and accordingly came to a Resolution of so doing; but the ships that were then with Us, leaving Us very suddenly, as We depended on the Captains of them to be purchasers of it, and being deprived of that Opportunity We have deferred the same till now, and intend to dispose of it after the Dispatch of this ship.

We take Liberty to assure your Honours of our assiduous Care, that whatever part of the Investment shall ever fall in our way to procure, shall be made up of the most substantial Manufactures, at the lowest Prices & sorted to the best Advantage; The Success We have been so happy to meet with the past years, encourages Us to hope for a continuance in so valuable a part of the Nation's Trade, which 'twill be our utmost happiness to preserve and prosecute to the utmost.

Vencattah Ramah has made Application to Us concerning the Fine order'd by your Honrs. to be repaid him, but as He did not apply to Us in Person We excused Ourselves from a Complyance, not being certain, but that He may have since incurred Debts to the Honble Company therefore till he appears personally We shall defer answering his Demand.

Fourthly of the Country Government

The 26. September last We acquainted your Honours that We had sent a Vakeel to Nauzir Jong, son to Nizam, He being at that time about the distance of 15 days Journey from us. The design of this was to pay a Compliment to him with a small Present, and to advise him that We were preparing to send two Gentlemen to him, with such a Present as our Circumstances would admit of, as soon as He was pleased to send a safe Convoy for them, the Roads being at that time much infested with French Peons.

Our Vakeel sett out from hence in the Month of June, and was to pave the way towards procuring Two thousand Horsemen with proper Officer to secure Us for 3 or 4 Months during the Monsoon, but Nauzir Jong instead of coming to Arcott as was at first talked of, went further off, and delay'd making any Agreement on this Affair, nor would He send a Convoy for the two Gentlemen We design'd to send up to him. At last in the month of November Our Vakeel made an Agreement with him for 3 Lacks of Rupees for the above mention'd Troops, but He soon after took the said Agreement away, and insisted upon 10 Lacks, there was afterwards a second Agreement made for 5 lacks of Rups. but as a Part of the Money was to be paid in hand before He would send his Troops, and We being bare of money, that also dropt, which We are not sorry for, and Nauzir Jong being sent for by his father, He dismiss'd our Vakeel in a handsome manner as He writes; for a more particular Account of this Affair, We beg Leave to refer your Honours to the Country Letter Book, and to our Consultations of the 31st. August, and 5th. October.

Our Vakeel's last Letter advises that He has taken into your Honrs. Service 300 Good Horsemen with their proper Officers, and has made an Agreemt with them as to their pay to serve Us 4 Month's. His Lre & Agreemt. are enter'd in the Country Letter Book: He also writes that He expects to be here in a few Days himself for the Embassy as mention'd in Consultation of the 16th. Janry.

We are glad to advise your Honours that this Expedition will turn out considerably cheaper than what We expected, for if the two Gentlemen had gone up to him, they must have carried a Considerable Present with them, and their Charges would have run very high; Mr. Beawes remained here a whole season at our desire, We therefore thot: it but reasonable to defray his Expences while here, as more fully sett forth in Consultation of the 31st. October, as also to pay Capt. Crompton the Expences He was at in preparing himself for the Embassy as mention'd in Consultation of the 16th. Janry.

As our Vakeel had enter'd into an Agreemt. for the above mention'd Horsemen We thought it was to yr. credit to stand to it, the Breaking thrô it at this Time

might have proved of ill Consequence to the Honble Compy and We doubt not, they will be of service to Us, if they are not, We shall endeavour to rid Ourselves of them as soon as possible.

We must assure your Honrs. that but little Dependance is to be put in the Arcott Government and indeed was the Chief Reason of our applying first to Nizam: however We must keep fair with the Nabob, who We hear has a Grant for this Province for 5 years longer.

It is wrote from Arcott that the Morattas are within a few days Journey of that Place.

Mr. Dupleix has applied to the Nabob to request He will make peace between the two Nations on this Coast.

Fifthly of Fortifications, Buildings, Repairs & Revenues

We are carrying on the Works near the Fort agreable to the Plan forwarded to your Honours and have made tolerable Progress therein, having finished the Moat quite round, which is now 100 Foot wide, & have run up the Hornwork as high as the turning of Arches for the Cazerns, which and the Lunette to the Westward are the Works now on hand, in which all due Care is taken to have them done well & soon. The Direction of these Works is under Mr. Geo: Jones and his Assistants.

Agreable to the Opinion of the Officers &ca. in a Council of War of the 29th. April, all the Houses in Tevenapatam & the Collaway were pulled down to the Distance of 800 Yards, when there being but few remaining in either of these Villages, It was thot: proper in another Council of the 19th. July, that as the pulling down of those few would be attended with but little Expence, & might contribute greatly to the security of the Fort, as the Enemy would thereby be hinder'd from any Cover for a Considerable Distance that they too should be pulled down.

Mr. Croke, Capt. Morgan and several Others having desired that they might be paid for their Houses that were pulled down, which We not being in a Capacity to do having so little money, We have therefore, deferred the paying of them, till We are in Cash sufficient to pay for all.

The Out Points in Tevenapatam not being thought in the Council of War of the 19 July capable of making any long Defense, It was agreed therein to strengthen them in the best manner the Time would permitt of, and a new Battery to be erected at the Burying Place, since which a Fascine Battery at the seaside at the So. East End of Tevenapatam, and another along the Lines from the Burying Ground have been represented very necessary We have accordingly built them.

The So. West Corner of the Fort not being in a proper Condition, the scarp Wall not being carried on so far as it should, as ℔ Consultation of the 30th. July, It was then Agreed to erect there a strong Battery with Fascines, & to put the heavy Cannon that came from Bombay on it. In this and all other parts of the Fortification, We beg Leave to acquaint your Honours that due Care has been taken that all are done well and with all Frugality; but are sorry to say that for want of skillfull people We are liable to do many things that might not be thot. quite so necessary but We have no ways been wanting to gett the best Advice We possibly could, and without Which, none of these Works have been sett about.

A Good House being offer'd for sale at Porto Novo, and as We were obliged (those formerly belonging to the Company there being quite demolish'd) to pay Rent for One for the Gentleman, that resides there, We therefore Agreed as ℔ Consultation of the 7th. Janry. to purchase the same, which We hope your Honours will approve of.

We have been obliged to make a Considerable number of sheds & Guard Rooms for our Military & Peons, which and the pulling down the Houses has proved very expensive, but as it was absolutely necessary, We hope your Honours will approve of it.

The Sea Customs of Cuddalore are encreas'd 1201. 32. 12. which is occasion'd by an Importation of Raw Silk and other Goods more than the former Year.

The Land Customs of Cuddalore are decreas'd this year 607. 10. 64 which is occasion'd by the Duty being taken off the Grain, to give Encouragement to the Country People to bring it in, during the late Scarcity.

The Sea and Land Customs of Tevenaptm̃ are encreas'd 1954. 32. 30. this year which is owing to a greater Importation of Coral and Raw Silk, which has scarcely ever been usual in former Years.

The Farms, none of them being Expir'd remain in the same hands as last year.

SIXTHLY OF FACTORS, WRITERS, MILITARY, OFFICERS, & THEIR ACCOUNTS.

The several Employments at this Board continue with the same Persons, as when We wrote your Honrs. ℘ Britannia.

The Genl. Table that was allowed to be kept for the support of the younger servants that arriv'd here from Madrass was taken off upon many of them going away and others being entertain'd in the service of this settlement.

By the Bombay Castle arrived Mr. William Read, whom We have entertain'd as your Honours directed and station'd him under the Secretary.

The Revd. Mr. William Rider, who came out from Europe on the aforesaid ship, hearing of the Accident that had befallen Madrass, when at Bencoolen, obtain'd the Depty. Govr. & Council's Permission to continue there they having no One of that Cloth then with them; but as We have since been informed of a Chaplain's coming out for that place by the Grantham, We have desired He may be sent hither.

Upon the great Occasion We had for Officers We have granted Ensign's Commissions to Messrs. Philip Bulkeley, Edmund Maskelyne, John Duncombe, John Wright, Saml. Smith, Jno. Harding, & Josa. Cheesebrough. The two former of whom were covenanted servants at Mads. and have only accepted to act in that Capacity, till such Time your Honours pleasure be known regarding to them. The third came out in the Compys service to this Place but being desirous of serving in the Military for the prest. He was granted an Ensign's Commission upon promise that it should be no Prejudice to his standing in the service.

Mr. Morse & Mr. Percival having been Exchang'd by the Commodore for Monsr. Le Ris, the Govr. of Mahie, & Monsr. Le Riche Commandant of Carrical, who were both brot. in, and detained as Prisoners of War at this Place are now resideing with Us. Mr. Morse arriv'd on the 2d. August & has been very assisting in his Advice to Us in such of your Honrs. Affairs, as We were unacquainted with.

Messrs. Eyre and Harris remain at Tranquebar Mr. Savage here and Mr. Edward Fowke proceeds for Europe on this ship.

For the Conveniency of receiving Advices of any of the Enemy's shipping that may touch on the Coast, We have appointed Mr. Chas. Nicholls to reside at Negapatam Mr. Henry Cope at Porto Novo, & Mr. Alex: Band at Pullacat.

By the Winchelsea, who arrived here the 13th. Ult. came Stringer Lawrence Esqr. whom your Honrs. appointed to be Major of the Forces on this Coast. On the 18th. the Military Forces of the Garrison were drawn up, at the Head of which He was presented with a Commission.

The several Ensigns that your Honrs. mention to have proceeded with him are likewise all arriv'd, and entertained agreable to your Direction.

Captain Geo: Gibson whom We had appointed Captain Commandant till such time We were supplied with a superiour Officer from Europe, on M. Lawrence's Arrival, and taking charge of the Garrison, receiv'd our Acknowledgements for his good service.

By the Oxford, Winchelsea, Colchester and Benjamin We received 93 Recruits, which except 11 the Chief and Council detained at Vizagapatam were all that lived to Us by those Ships.

Lieutenant Jno. Holland being order'd by your Honours to remove to Bengall, He has thereupon resigned the Company He had with Us to the Major's Command, but as there is a Prospect of coming to some Action with the Enemy before long, He is desirous to continue with Us as a supernumerary Lieutenant to assist therein, after which He purposes to proceed agreable to your Honour's Appointment.

In Regard to the present strength of our Garrison We presume your Honours will be perfectly acquainted with it by the severall Rolls enclosed in the Packett We need therefore only recommend to your Hon^{rs}. to send Us such a further Reinforcement as may appear necessary.

Agreable to the Representation made in the Officers Report of the 1^{t}. May as enter'd in Consultation of the 5th. of that Month, We have for the Reasons as therein specified introduced Martial Law in the Garrison as We found it became absolutely necessary at this Juncture, and have accordingly given a Commission to Major Lawrence to sett as President at all Courts Martial, and to pass sentence, and execute agreable thereto. We have also commission'd Ensign James Cope to act as Judge Advocate, agreable to a power He has from England for that purpose, wherein We flatter Ourselves with the hopes of your Hon^{rs}. Approbation.

In our Advices by the Severn, We advised your Hon^{rs}. of having regulated the Gunroom Crew, by turning them into an Artillery Company, & putting them under the Command of Lieutenant George Jones, & sundry Ensigns, We have therefore nothing to add relating to them but that they continue under the same Regulation.

By the foregoing ship We likewise inform'd your Hon^{rs}. of the Reinforcement and Succours, We had received from Bombay and Tellicherry ; since then We have also been supplied with a Detachment of 113 Europeans from Bengall, including Officers, for which We were greatly beholden to them.

The several Officers of those Detachm^{ts}. being on Command We have been obliged to allow them their Table, as We are informed, is usual in such Cases.

The Cloathing the Military shall be made over to the Lieutenants of the several Companies agreable to your Honours Directions.

We shall not fail to comply with y^{r}. Hon^{rs}. Orders relating to the Diet money you have appointed for the several Officers.

M^{r}. Thomas Cooke Junr. having relinquished his Employ of Secretary for the Reasons given in Consultation of the 7th Janr̃y, We have thereupon entertained M^{r}. Chas. Bourchier in that station at the same salary and Allowances as is due to his standing.

SEVENTHLY OF ACCOUNTS.

Such of the Madrass Conicoplys as are arrived with Us, were called before the Board on the 30th. June when being examined regarding your Hon^{rs}: Accounts at that settlement, they acquainted Us, that in the Confusion of Affairs when the French were at Mad^{s}. the Books & Cadjans were all seized and lost, so that they could give Us no Acc^{t}. of them, We shall not fail as Opportunity offers to make Enquiry after them, and advise you of all that We know concerning them.

The Books not being arriv'd from the Northern Factories, till a few days past, We have not been capable of making the proper Adjustments in time to send them by this Opportunity : but presume your Hon^{rs}. will have a Copy of them from Bengall.

In this Packett your Hon^{rs} : will receive our General Books closed in April last, with what other Books and Papers may give you any light into the situation of your Affairs at this settlement, a list whereof is Enclosed.

EIGHTHLY OF THE WEST COAST

The last Advice We rec̃d from that settlement was by the sloop Success, who arrived here the 12th. September, & bore date the 16 & 29. July, in which they advise of having dispatched the Lapwing to your Honours on the 5th. of that month, having laden on board her 53. Tonns of Pepper, that being all she could take in, and had about 600 Tonns remaining for any other Tonnage that might offer.

They mention to have been in perfect Peace with the Country about them, and should do all in their power to preserve it.

We have taken sundry Opportunities to supply them, agreable to their Indents, and are now sending to them a Quantity of Rice and other Articles by the Oxford and We beg Leave to assure your Honrs. We shall always be mindfull to assist them to the Utmost in our Power.

In their Letter to Us dated the first of July they represent they were greatly in want of Military, and as such were obliged to detain 20 Recruits, that came out on the Bombay Castle, and have since requested Us to procure them two or three hundred Peons from this Coast, who, they are of Opinion might be of service to them in their present Extremity, but their Religion, Marriages and Aversion to their coast were such Obstacles that We could not prevail on any of them to go thither: We have nevertheless engaged to supply them with some Military Recruits as soon as We could better spare them.

They have likewise intimated to Us the Want of an Engineer for the Direction of such Works as might be necessary at this Juncture for their Place, which as We are equally in want of with them, We must refer it to your Honours to furnish them therewith.

Mr. Chas. Hampton whom your Honrs. had order'd to remove from Bengall thither was sent here on the ship Fanny, and afterwards proceeded on that ship.

NINTHLY TOUCHING THE CHARTER

We have nothing more to say to your Honrs under this Head than what We have mention'd in our former Letters.

TENTHLY CONCERNING THE FRENCH AND OTHER EUROPEAN NATIONS IN INDIA

The 19th. August We wrote a Letter to Galenus Meisen Esqr. Raad Extraordinary of the Nether lands India, Govr. of Negapatam and the Gentlemen of Council, in regard to the Factory House belonging to the said Company standing in Tevanapatam Town, which is at about the distance of 700 yeards from our Fort to the Northward, and within the space agreed to be levell'd by the Genl. Council of War held the 29th. April desiring their Permission to levell the Walls of the Compound, and that the House might be put in such a Condition as to prevent our being annoyed from it; "In answer to which they wrote Us the 9.th following that the "same Motives, that induce Us to use all proper Methods for the Preservation of Fort "St. David, oblige them to maintain their Right and Property in the said Factory, "which they can by no means give up without a special Order from their superiours "at Batavia." The Case standing thus We have not attempted any Encroachment on what they call their Right and Property, and have only upon this Article to recommend it to your Honours Consideration of how great Inconvenience a Dutch Factory within so small a Distance of our Fort may be, not only as it obstructs the use, & Intentions of the Hornwork to the Northward, but likewise How unsa[tisfac]tary it is to the Honble Compy to have a foreign settlemt. in the Center of their Limits, wherein they claim the same Rights and Priviledges as We do Ourselves; They indeed pay a small Duty to the Compy of 2½ ℘ Cent on Goods Exported or Imported by them, which by no means arises to an Equivalent for the Influence they may have in future over our Actions.

The strength of the French Garrisons by the best Intelligences We have of them is that they have 1300 Europeans in Pondicherry, 400 in Madrass, & 100 in Kariccall, besides which a large number of Topasses Coffrees & Sepoys, who are disciplin'd and are of great service to them.

The French hearing of some Accident befalling our squadron at Trancomallay took the Opportunity of preparing to attack this place, which We having timely Notice of, at a Council of War held by the then Officers of the Garrison this 25th. December, Every thing was agreed on that could be thought material for our Defense: Accordingly on the 6. Ult Monsr: Dupleix came at the head of all the Forces He could collect together, & encamp'd within 4 Miles of our Limits, and it being Moon Light We expected He would have attack'd our Out Towns that night, but as they were preparing for it in the Morning, Commodore Griffin came into the

Road wth. 3 of his Majesty's Ships and the Bombay Castle At the sight of them, together with a signal being given from Pondicherry, the Enemy retir'd home again, & it was not in our power to hurt them in their Retreat; For a more particular Account of this Affair We beg Leave to refer your Honrs. to Consultation of the 7th. Ultimo.

By the best Advices We have from the other coast, there remains there at present only two French Ships supposed to be the Apollo and Anglesea Privateers; They were off Anjengo the 10th. Ult. and had intercepted a Pattamar Boat of Mr. Bourchier's. The Centaur, Mars and Brilliant, whom We advised your Honrs. had sail'd for the Malabar Coast from Pondicherry in Janry was twelve months winter'd at Goa, where having clean'd & Refitted they proceeded to Mahie and Manjelore in September last, the latter of which Places they left on the 20th. of that Month, having taken in their Loadings of Rice, and some Sepoys, by which We suppose they had been destined to this Coast, but having not heard from them since We presume they are at the Islands.

The Prss Mary, who was in Company with those ships on the Malabar Coast, we are informed was founder'd off of Gogo, but most of her Men saved, and We hear are since gott to Mahie.

The 4. Ult: arrived in Pondicherry a French ship named the Cibele; she is said to come from Europe, but last from the Islands, and sailed in 4 days afterwards supposed for the same place, she brought them Intelligence of their Fleet design'd for India, but whether she parted Company before or after Admiral Anson's Engagement with them, We are yett to learn.

We are advised from Bombay and Anjengo of the Defeat of a French Fleet design'd for these Parts by Admiral Anson, and of the Reinforcement your Honrs. are sending to Us.

Monsr: Dupleix immediately after their Retreat the Beginning of December, wrote the Nabob of the Province to interpose, and make up differences between Us. We hear He is making Preparations for the defensive, As We on our part are making preparations for the Offensive.

Eleventhly concerning his Britannick Majesty's Squadron, & Monies advanced on that Account

Mr. Rosewell the late Agent Victualer left this place for Bengall the 15th. June, without giving any notice of his Departure, and abt. 4 Months after We recd Several Accts. relating to the squadron for what had been supplied them at Fort St. George the year before upon which We wrote to the President and Council of Bengall acquainting them with it, and to desire they would send up Mr. Rosewell to settle those Accts. as Capt. Peyton declared it could not be done without He was present; Their Answer to Us and Mr. Rosewell's Representation is enclos'd in this Packett, to which We beg Leave to refer your Honrs.

When Capt. Peyton comes from the southward We will talk with him on this Affair, and take Mr. Morse's Advice in it, and advise your Honrs. further by [the] next Conveyance.

We have supplied our surgeon wh. the sum of Pags. 4261. 34 which He requested of Us for the use of his Majesty's Hospital from the 2d March last to the [. . .] ult. and enclosed We send your Honrs. Ticketts and Accts. for that Amount, also the Duplicates of those ℘ Lapwing.

In this Packett yr. Honrs. will receive Mr. Robinson's Bills on the Honble Commissioners of the Navy for 1500 Dollars supplied him with the 28 of May last for the service of his Majesty's squadron.

The 11th. ultimo his Majesty's ships Exeter and York arrived here, and joined the Commodore as did the Eltham the 13th.

There remains at Anchor in this Road The following ships under the Command of Commodore Griffin, Vizt. The Prss Mary, Preston, Pearl & Eltham: likewise the Bombay Castle, Winchelsea & Exeter belongg. to the Honble Company.

The Remaining Part of the squadron are upon different services on or about the Coast.

We must acquaint your Hon^rs. that We cannot sufficiently write in praise of Worthy M^r. Griffin He saw full well the dangers We were exposed to, should He leave the Coast, and therefore generously resolved to stay upon it the whole monsoon, and to be near at hand should the Enemy make an Attempt upon Us : He accordingly sail'd to the Northward with all the squadron the 20th. September, and return'd here again the 18. October, but the Wind blowing very fresh & the Current running strong He did not anchor but made out to sea : the 11. November the Commodore appear'd again in Company with the Medway and Pearl, the other ships of his squadron not joining him from the Time He was here last : However this did not at all discourage him, He sail'd again the 16th. with the above mention'd ships, and return'd here again with them the 26th. and two days after leaving the Medway as a Guard ship to Us, He sail'd with the Pearl to the Place of Rendezvous in quest of the Rest of his squadron.

The 4 December his Majesty's Fireship the Fago, arriv'd here from Vigagapatam, where she had been sent by the Commodore to refitt, but it blowing fresh and a high sea, she parted two Cables and at night the Medway did the same, and was obliged to go out of the Road. The next day We gott Anchors and Cables on board the Fireship, but the Wind increasing and she being an Old crazy Vessal, she came on shore the 7th. at Noon, but all her people were sav'd.

Upon the Medway's Arrival at Trancomalay in a very shatter'd Condition Commodore Griffin immediately dispatched the Harwich to Us, and she arriv'd here the 2^d. Janry.

Some time before this the Enemy gave out, that some of our ships were lost and others disabled, which made them think it a proper Opportunity to come against Us, They accordingly did agreable to the Acc^s. already given your Hon^rs. in 94 Paragraph foregoing. This is the second Time that Commodore Griffin has come in to a day to our Assistance. The first time was the saving the Fort ; this last, of al[l] our Out Towns, and Villages ; for against such a superior Body of Force, We could only expect to keep the Fort & Tevenap^m. wch. We judge We might have been able to have done, at least the Latter for a considerable Time ; The first We were in no pain about.

We take the Liberty to recommend Commodore Griffin to your particular Notice as a Gentlemen worthy your sincere Regard, and We must assure you No one could have acted more for your Interest, than He has done in every Respect for the Good of your service, ever since He has been in India, and still resolves to maintain your Creditt. He has now been within a few days of One year in guarding this place, now of the utmost Consequence to your Hon^rs. & M^r. Griffin is very sensible of it.

Supplement

This ship arriving here on the 3^d. Ins^t. On the 4th. We recd a Letter from Capt. Ward signifying the Expiration of his Charter Party Time on y^e. 31st. Ultimo, and afterwards in another Letter of the 8th. that he was ready for sailing. Upon which as We were of Opinion, it would be a great satisfaction to your Hon^rs. to receive by her the Packetts and Advice of this settlement, which were then preparing, and within four or five days of being ready, We thought proper to agree in your hon^s. Name that the usual Demorage should be allow'd his Owners in such Cases, and We hope the Reasons We had for so doing will sufficiently vindicate our Proceeding therein.

The Diamonds & Precious stones that are register'd by this ship in return for Coral & other Acc^ts. amount to One hundred seventeen thousand, Two hundred Forty four Pagodas, Thirty four Fonams & seventy One Cash, (117244. 34. 71) as ℘ particulars in the Register enclos'd in this Packett.

No One having applied to Us for Bills of Exchange We have made no Draughts on y^r. Hon^rs. by this ship.

We sincerely wish her a safe and speedy Passage to your Hon^rs^. and beg leave to assure you that We are w^h^. the utmost Fidelity & Respect.

HONOURABLE,

Y^r^. hon^rs^. most faithful & most Obed^t^. hble servants

FORT S^T^. DAVID
FEBRY. 13^H^. 1747/8.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDW^D^. CROKE.
W^M^. HOLT.
ALEX: WYNCH.
THO^S^: COOKE *Junr.*

LETTER TO CAPTAIN E. WARD, DATED FEBRUARY 13, 1748. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, p. 81.*]

TO CAP^T^. EDWARD WARD
COMMANDER OF SHIP WARWICK

SIR

You are hereby Order'd to repair on Board your ship, and make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain with the Pacquets herewith deliver'd you mark'd A & B Directed to the Honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their House in Leadenhall Street London. The first port you arrive at in England, you are to send your purser ashore with that mark'd A, and forward it with all possible Expedition. What Orders may be necessary to be observed in your Passage Home you will receive from the Governour, and we strictly enjoin your Compliance therewith.

In case you call at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour of S^t^. Helena that you carry him some Garden seeds, plan^ts^. &c^t^. We wish you a safe and speedy Passage. Dated in Fort S^t^. David this Thirteenth Day of February 1747/8.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
THOMAS COOKE *Junr.*

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS AND PRECIOUS STONES LICENCED BY THE DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. DAVID TO BE SHIPP'D ON BOARD THE WARWICK CAP^T^. EDWARD WARD IN RETURN FOR CORAL AND OTHER ACCOUNTS VIZ^T^.

			By M^r^. WILLIAM PERCEVAL Consign'd to RICHARD WYAT, and JAMES WHITCHURCH Esq^rs^. or Order						
WP	N°. 1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... Pag^s^.	1692	22	40			
	N°. 2	1	One D^o^. d^o^.	1690	27	—			
	— 2						3383	13	40
			By M^rs^. MARY HARRISON Consign'd to M^r^. ROBERT HARRISON or Order, on Account of M^r^. SAMUEL HARRISON.						
RH	N°. 2	1	One Bulse Diamonds, value				1537	18	—
			By Capt. JOHN HOLLAND Consign'd to M^r^. PETER WALDO or Order.						

4H		1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... By Mr. Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Mr. Benjamin Mendez da Costa or Order.	1275	22	40
✡	No. 21	1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... In full returns for a Box of Coral marked ✡ No. 21 Imported ℘ ship Marlbro Anno 1746. By Mr. Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Mr. Aaron Goldsmid or Order.	1634	26	60
RE	No. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part returns for a Chest of silver marked RE No. 1 Imported ℘ ship Salisbury Anno 1746. By Mr. Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Mr. Abraham Fonseca or Order.	1059	16	40
AA	No. 1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... In full returns for a Box of Coral marked AA No. 1 Imported ℘ ship Salisbury Anno 1746. By Mr. Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Mr. Thomas Waters or Order.	1452	28	—
TW	No. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By Mr. Joseph Fowke Consigned to Mr. Jacob Salvador or Order.	1799	26	44
4F	No. 4	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By Mr. Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Mr. Jacob Salvador or Order.	2163	13	40
SB	No. 9	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In full returns for a Box of Coral marked SB No. 9 Imported ℘ Ship Bombay Castle Anno 1747. By Mr. Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Mr. Jacob Salvador or Order.	676	1	63
4S	No. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Vizt: In full Returns for the Remains of a Box of Coral Beads marked SB No. 5. Imported ℘ Wager Anno 1744 ... Pags. 530 27 19 In full Returns for the Remains of a box of Coral Beads marked XXS No. 3 Imported ℘ ship Princess Mary 1745 ... 325 15 — In full Returns for the Remains of a Box of Coral Beads marked XXS No. 2 Imported ℘ ship Wager Anno 1744 ... ... 400 — —			

			in full Returns for the Remains of a Box of Coral Beads marked SB N°. 2 Imported ꝑ Scarborough Anno 1745	839	21	73			
			in full Returns for the Remains of a Box of Coral Beads marked RE N°. 7 Imported ꝑ Adm^l^. Vernon Anno 1745	716	29	24			
			in full Returns for the Remains of a Box of Coral Beads marked RF N°. 1 F Imported ꝑ Ship Wager Anno 1744.	889	11	74			
							3788	33	30
			By M^r^. JOSEPH FOWKE Consign'd to M^r^. BENJAMIN MENDEZ DA COSTA or Order.						
MC	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value				132	26	15
			In further part Returns for a Box of Coral marked MC N°. 1 imported ꝑ ship PRINCESS MARY Anno 1745.						
			By M^r^. JOSEPH FOWKE Consigned to M^r^. NATAL LEVI SENSINO or Order.						
LS	N°. 12	1	One Bulse of Diamonds, Value				84	2	30
			In full returns for the Remains of a Box of Coral Beads, marked LS N°. 12 Imported ꝑ Ship Wager Anno 1744.						
			By M^r^. JOSEPH FOWKE Consigned to M^r^. BENJAMIN ALVARENGA and Company or Order.						
D.M.F	N°. 4	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value				256	23	11
			in further parts Returns for a Box of Coral Beads imported ꝑ ship Princess Mary Anno 1715.						
◈			By M^r^. SOLOMON SALOMONS Consign'd to Messrs. ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO or Order ✕						
AIF	N°. 6 & 7	2	Two Bulses of Diamonds Viz^t^.				✕		
			In full Returns of a Chest of Coral Beads marked ◈ N°. 112 imported ꝑ ship Wager Anno 1745 ..	910	15	41			
			In full Returns of a Chest of Coral Beads marked ◈ No. 121 imported ꝑ ship Kent Anno 1745 ...	1327	9	65			

			In full Returns of a Chest of Coral Beads marked ◇ No. 125. imported ꝑ [ship] Princess Mary 1746 ...	765	16	58			
			In full Returns of a Chest of Coral Beads marked A F I No. 6 imported ꝑ Ship London 1746	1678	27	13			
			In full Returns of a Chest of Coral Beads, marked A F I No. 7 imported ꝑ ship Princess Mary 1746	802	6	58			
			In full Returns of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd MF N°. 10 imported ꝑ ship Princess Mary 1746 ...	771	1	12			
							6255	5	7
			By M^r. Solomon Salomons Consigned to M^r. Benjamin Mendez da Costa or Order.						
M	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value				1115	1	50
			In full return of a Chest Beads marked M N°. 1 imported ꝑ ship Bombay Castle Anno 1747.						
			By M^r. Solomon Salomons Consign'd to M^r. Phineas Serra or Order.						
PS	N°. 2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value				1755	19	36
			In full Returns of a Chest of Coral Beads marked I F N°. 4 imported ꝑ ship Princess Mary 1746.						
			By M^r. Solomon Salomons Consign'd to M^r. Natal Levi Sonsiono or Order.						
CS	N°. 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value				761	19	27
			In full Return of a Chest of Coral Beads marked C.S. N°. 3 imported ꝑ ship Salisbury 1746.						
			By M^r. Solomon Salomons Consign'd to to M^r. Aaron Franks or Order.						
♧K		1	One Bulse of Diamonds value				899	21	63
			In full Return of a Chest of Coral Beads marked ♧ K imported ꝑ ship Salisbury 1746.						
			By M^r. Solomon Salomons Consign'd to M^r. Aaron Goldsmid or Order.						

AS S	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In full return of a Chest of Silver marked AS/S N°. 1 imported ⅌ ship Marlborough 1746. By M^r. Solomon Salomons Consign'd to M^r. Samuel Andries Levi or Order.	2333	7	46
SAL	N°. 2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In full Return of a Chest of silver marked AS/S N°. 2 imported ⅌ ship Marlborough 1746. By M^r. Joseph Fowke Consign'd to M^r. Jacob Salvador or Order.	342	35	12
ƗF	N°. 5	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By M^r. Joseph Fowke Consign'd to M^r. Robert Allen or Order.	1995	30	34
ƗF	N°. 10	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... By Nicholas Morse Esqr. Consign'd to Messrs. Abraham & Jacob Franco or Order.	3041	19	28
RM	N°. 2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In full Return of a Chest of silver marked RM N°. 2 imported ⅌ Ship Britannia Anno 1747. By Nicholas Morse Esqr Consign'd to Messrs. Abraham & Jacob Franco or Order.	2132	8	53
RM	N°. 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In full Return of a Chest of Coral marked RM N°. 3 imported ⅌ Ship Brittania Anno 1747. By Nicholas Morse Esqr. Consign'd to M^r. Jacob Salvador or Order.	2029	32	79
M SB	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In full Return of a Chest of Coral marked M/S B N°. 1 imported ⅌ ship Bombay Castle Anno 1747. By Nicholas Morse Esqr. & M^r. Joseph Fowke Consign'd to M^r. Jacob Salvador or Order.	2383	31	48
◈	N°. 2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of silver marked ◈ No. 2 imported ⅌ Ship London Anno 1746. By Nicholas Morse Esqr. Consign'd to M^r. Jacob Salvador or Order.	920	21	5
ABC	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return for a Chest of Coral mark'd ABb N°. 1 ⅌ Imported ⅌ Ship Scarborough Anno 1745.	508	23	79

FS	N°. 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of Coral markd FS N°. 3 Imported ℔ Ship Princess Mary 1746.				988	15	78
RE / S	N°. 4	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of Coral marked RE / S No. 4 Imported ℔ ship Wager Anno 1745.				804	30	73
FS	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... .. In part Return of a Chest Coral marked FS N°. 1 Imported ℔ Ship Wager Anno 1745.				382	31	62
NM	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of Coral marked NM N°. 1 Imported ℔ Ship Wager Anno 1745.				494	4	29
IS	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Viz[t].						
			In part Return of One Chest of Coral mark'd RE N°. 10 imported ℔ Ship Scarborough Anno 1745	304	5	49			
			In part Return of a Chest of Coral mark'd RE / S N°. 6 imported ℔ Ship Wager Anno 1745.	79	35	19			
			In part Return of a Chest of Coral mark'd NM N°. 7 imported ℔ Ship Wager Anno 1745.	58	12	67			
			In part Return of a Chest of Coral marked SB N°. 6 imported ℔ ship Wager Anno 1745.	34	13	28			
							476	31	1[8]
			By NICHOLAS MORSE Esq[r]. Consigned to M[r]. BENJAMIN MENDEZ DA COSTA or Order.						
ME	N°. 7	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of Coral marked ME N°. 7 Imported ℔ Ship Wager Anno 1745.				482	2	70
ME	N°. 9	1	One Bulse of Diamonds ... ... In part Return of a Chest of Coral marked ME N°. 9 Imported ℔ Ship Admiral Vernon Anno 1745.				546	20	51
BC	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of Coral marked BC N° 1 Imported ℔ Ship Princess Mary Anno 1746.				433	16	75

FB	No. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of Coral marked FB N°. 1 Imported ℘ Ship Wager Anno 1745. By NICHOLAS MORSE Esqr. & M^r^. JOSEPH FOWKE Consigned to M^r^. JACOB DIAS or Order.	938	15	46
♧	No. 12	I	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of Coral marked ♧ No. 12 Imported ℘ Ship London Anno 1746. By NICHOLAS MORSE Esqr. & M^r^. JOSEPH FOWKE Consign'd to Messrs. JACOB & ABRAHAM FERNANDEZ NUNES or Order.	1386	18	62
NF	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of silver marked NF N°. 1 Imported ℘ Ship London Anno 1746. By NICHOLAS MORSE Esqr. Consign'd to M^r^. NATHAN SOLOMONS or Order.	816	14	6
NS	N°. 4	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of silver marked NS N°. 4 Import^d^. ℘ Ship London Anno 1746. By NICHOLAS MORSE Esqr. Consigned to Messrs. SAMUEL HARTOG LEVY & DAVID LEVY or Order.	1586	23	66
DSL	N°. 2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Return of a Chest of silver marked DSL N°. 2 Imported ℘ ship London Anno 1746. By Mess^r^. GEORGE, JONES & LEVY MOSES Consign'd to Messrs. LEVY & REUBEN SALOMONS & HENRY MOSES or Order.	835	31	45
LRS HM	N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part Returns of two Chests of silver marked LRS HM N°. 1 & 2 imported ℘ ship Cæser 1748. By Messrs. GEORGE JONES & LEVY MOSES Consign'd to Messrs. TIMOTHY TULLIE & HENRY MOSES or Order.	2623	4	40
TT	N°. 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By Messrs. GEORGE JONES & LEVY MOSES Consign'd to Messrs. JOHN GODDARD & HENRY MOSES or Order.	1268	31	40
M	N°. 10	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... By Messrs. GEORGE JONES & LEVY MOSES Consigned to Messrs. FRANCIS CREUSE & HENRY MOSES or Order.	1159	33	60

H / F C / M } N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	429	33	48
		By Messrs. GEORGE JONES & LEVY MOSES Consignd to Messrs. JOHN GODDARD & HENRY MOSES or Order.			
M / P } N°. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	186	29	39
		By Mr. MOSES BEREND HEYMAN Consigned to GRORGR ARNOLD Esqr. and Mr. JOSEPH SALOMONS or Order			
AS N°. 1 & 2	2	Two Bulses of Diamonds, value	10202	14	50
		In part Return for six Chests of silver marked AI N°. 1 @ 6 ℘ ships Marlborough & Salisbury 1746.			
		By Mr. MOSES BEREND HEYMAN Cogsignd to Messrs. HENRY ISAAC's & LEVY & RUEBEN SALOMONS or Order.			
IS N°. 3 & 4	2	Two Bulses of Diamonds value	10196	22	40
		In part Return for six Chests of silver marked IS N°. 1 @ 6 imported ℘ ships Salisbury & Marlborough 1746			
		By Mr. MOSES BEREND HEYMAN Consign'd to Mr. HENRY ISAACS, or Order			
H I N°. 5	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	1832	30	40
		In part return for two Chests of silver marked HI N°. 1 & 2 Importd. ℘ ships Salisbury & Marlborough Anno 1746.			
		By Mr. MOSES BEREND HEYMAN Consigned to Messrs. LEVY & REUBEN SALOMONS			
MBH N°. 6	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	1965	4	48
		In full Return for a Chest of silver marked MBH N°. 1 Importd ℘ ship Marlbrō Anno 1746			
		By Mr. SOLOMON SALOMONS Consigned to Messrs. AARON FRANKS and DAVID SALOMONS or Order			
A^S^F No. 3 & 4	2	Two Bulses of Diamonds value	6840	—	—
		By Mr. SOLOMON SALOMONS Consign'd to Messrs. ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO or Order			
⊕ AIF N°. 8	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	3052	6	20
		By Mr. SOLOMON SALOMONS Consign'd to Mr. NAPHTALI FRANKS or Order.			
NF N°. 2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	2538	24	70
		By Mr. SOLOMONS SALOMONS Consigned to Messrs. ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO or Order			
⊕ AIF N°. 9	1	One Bulse of Diamonds, value	4390	—	—
		By NICHOLAS MORSE [illegible] Consign'd to Mr. JACOB SALVADO[illegible]er			

M FA } No. 2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	248	7	28
		In part Return for a Box of Coral Beads markd F^M^A No. 2 imported ℔ ship Marlbro Anno 1746.			
SB C } No. 4	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	171	26	76
		In part Returns fer a Box of Coral Beads mark'd SB C No. 4 Imported ℔ ship Salisbury Anno 1746			
		By Nicholas Morse Esqr. Consigned to M^r. Natal Levy Sonsino or Order			
LS No. 15	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	250	30	[...]
		In full Returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked LS No. 15 imported ℔ ship Salisbury Anno 1746			
		By Nicholas Morse Esqr. Consigned to Messrs. Hartog Levy & David Levy or Order			
SH DL } No. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	581	26	27
		In part Returns for two Chest^s. of silver mark'd SH DL } No. 1 & 2 imported ℔ ships Marlborough & Salisbury Anno 1746.			
		By Nicholas Morsr Esqr. Consigned to M^r. Jacob Salvador or Order			
M FA } No. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	1080	32	5[...]
		In part Returns for a Box of Coral Beads markd M FA } No. 1 imported ℔ ship Marlborough Anno 1746			
[F]. M S E } No. 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	1605	35	45
		In full Returns for a Box of Coral Beads marked M FS E } No. 3 imported ℔ ship Marlborough Anno 1746			
		By Nicholas Morse Esqr. Consignd to M^r. Jacob Salvador or Order.			
M FS E } No. 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	2284	11	45
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads markd M FS E } No. 1 imported ℔ ship Marlborough Anno 1746			
		By M^r. Joseph Fowke Consigned to M^r. Benjamin Mendez da Costa or Order			
✡ No. 20	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	2000	—	—
		In part Returns for a Box of Coral Beads imported ℔ ship Salisbury Anno 1746			
		By M^r. Joseph [...]ke Consign'd to M^r. Jacob Salvador [...]			

ꟻF No. 11	1 One Bulse of Diamonds value	840	28	[6...]
ꟻF No. 12	1 One Bulse of Diamonds value	2500	—	—
	By Mr. Joseph Fowke Consignd to Mr. Robert Allen or Order			
ꟻF No. 13	1 One Bulse of Diamonds value	1451	19	6 [...]
	By Mr. Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Mr. Jacob Salvador or Order			
ꟻF No. 14	1 One Bulse of Diamonds, value	1100	—	—
	By Mr. Joseph Fowke Consigned to Mr. Robert Allen or Order			
ꟻF No. 15	1 One Bulse of Diamonds value	548	16	1[...]
	71 Bulses of Diamonds Amounting to Pagodas.	117244	31	7[...]

Fort St. David 13th. February
1747/8

Chas. Bourchier *Secty.*

List of sundries permitted by the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David to be shipped on Board the Warwick for Presents. Vizt.

By Mr. Solomon Salomons

One Bundle Directed to Mr. Aaron Franks in London
Containing Vizt.
One peice Long Cloth
Two peices of Beetela Cambrick
One peice of Dimmity & One peice of Red Handkerchiefs

One Bundle Directed to Mr. David Salomons in London
Containing Vizt.
One peice of Long Cloth
Two peices Dimmity
Two peices Red Handkercheifs

By Mr. Moses Berend Heyman

One Bundle Directed to Mrs. Heyman Vizt.
Eight peices of Moreas
Two peices of Cambrick

By Mr. William Perceval Vizt.

One Bundle Directed to Mr. William Wood Containing, Vizt.
Four peices of Muslin Handkercheifs.

List of Papers in the Pacquet ꟻ Ship Warwick Vizt.

No. 1. General Letter to the Honourable the Court of Directors datd. 13th. Febr. 174[7]
2. Duplicate General Letter to Ditto ... Dated 27th. Septemr. 1747
3. Register of Diamonds & precious stones shipped on the Warwick
4. Duplicate Ditto ... ꟻ Severn
5. Capt. Harry's Certificate for Pags. 800 supplied him with agreeable to the Terms of ship Princess of Wales's Charterparty

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6. Capt. Stevens's Certificate for Pags. 1000 supplied him with agreeable to the Terms of ship Oxford's Charter party
7. Andecapa Moodelaires Accot. Currt. for the year ... 1747
8. Narrain Chittys ... Do. ... for ... Do. ... 1747
9. Irshapa Chittys ... do. ... for ... do. ... 1747
10. Account of the Investment... for ... do. ... 1747
11. Calculate of the Expences and Revenues of this settlement for the year 1747 compared with the former.
12. List of the Honble Company's Revenues for the year 1747.
13. List of Debts Outstanding in Books, Letter V.V. Ending April 1747.
14. Abstracts of the Sea Customs of Cuddalore for the year 1747
15. Abstracts of the Land Customs of Cuddalore for the year 1747
16. Abstracts of the Sea & Land Customs of Tevenapatam for the year 1747.
17. Calculate of Broad Cloth & Treasure remaining at Fort St. David 11th. Febry. 174 [7]
18. Surgeons Indent for Medicines dated 8th. Febry 1747/8
19. Warehouse Keeper Indent 11th. February 1747/8
20. Triplicate of the Storekeepers Indent 2d. May 1747
21. Assay Master's Indent
22. List of the Honble Company's Covenanted servants on the Coast of Choromandell 1747.
23. List of the Madras Company's servants & Inhabitants, where resideing and how Dispersed.
24. List of the Marraiges, Christnings, & Burials for the year 1747
25. Surgeons List of Death's for the year 1747.
26. First Bill of Exchange for 500 Pounds on the Honourable Commissione[rs] of his Majesty's Navy, payable to the United East India Company dated 28th. May 1747.
27. Copy of Capt. Wards Dispatch Dated the 13th. February 1747/8
28. List of Boo[ks in] the Warwicks pacquet.
29. Copy of a Letter from Mr. Richard Rosewell to the Secretary of Bengal.
30. Ministers Indent for sundries for the use of the Chapel.
31. List of Inhabitants at Fort St. David.
32. Report of Damaged Broad Cloth ℔ ship Brittania reced from Bengal.
33. Account sale of Ditto.
34. Register of sundries permitted to be shipped on Board the Warwick for Account of presents.
35. Duplicate Copy of a Letter to Comm Griffin Datd. 14th. August 1747.
36. Comm. Griffin's Answer to Ditto.
37. Councils. of War for the year 1747.
38. Surgeon of ship Colchester 2d: Receipt for Head Money paid him.
39. Surgeon of ship Winchelsea's Receipt for Ditto.
40. List of the Pacquet.

PAPERS APART

41. A Pacquet Containing Vizt.

Duplicate Surgeons Accots: of the Sick & Wounded from his Majesty's squadron on the 2d. of March 1746/7.

Original . . . Ditto. from the 2d: March 1746/7 to primo Jañry 1747/8.

Tickets Relating to the said Accourts.

42. Muster Roll of the six Company's of Foot Soldiers and Artillery Company at Fort St. David dated Primo February 1747/8.

43. List of the Peons, Seapoy's, Arabians & Horsemen at Fort St: David's Primo Febry 1747/8.

44. List of Military, their Arrival, Entries, & Renewing their Contracts in the first Company of Foot soldiers 1747.

45. Ditto ... Ditto in the Second.

46. Ditto ... Ditto in the Third.

47. Ditto ... Ditto in the Fourth.

48. Assay Master's Musters Vizt.

No: 1. Containing 9 Madras Pagodas.
2. Star Pagodas 9.
3. Rupees 20

FORT ST. DAVID 13th: FEBRUARY 1747/8.

CHAS: BOURCHIER,
Secty.

LIST OF BOOKS IN THE PACQUET MARKED B.

No: 1. Consultations Commencing Primo Janry 1746/7.
Ending Ulto. Decemr. 1747.

2. Ditto ... Comms Primo Janry 1747/8.
Ending 14th: February 1747/8.

3. Letters Received Comm. Primo Janry 1746/7.
Ending Ultimo Decem 1747.

4. Ditto ... Ditto ... Comm Primo Janry 1747/8.
Ending 14th. Febry 1747/8.

5. Letters sent ... Comm Primo Janry 1746/7.
Ending Ulto. Decem. 1747.

6. Ditto Do. ... Comm Primo Janry 1747/8.
Ending 14th. Febry 1747/8.

7. Country Letters Comm. 13th. September 1746.
Ending 4th. Febry 1747/8.

8. General Books Letter. V. V. Ending April 1747.

9. Paymasters Accounts for the year 1747.

10. Cuddalore Sea Customs for the year 1747.

11. Cuddalore Land Customs.

12. Tevenapatam Sea & Land Customs for the year 1747.

13. Mint Accounts for the year 1747.

14. Cash Accounts, commencing Primo Janry 1747/8.
Ending 14th: Febry 1747/8.

FORT ST: DAVID 13th. February 1747/8.

CHAS: BOURCHIER
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General Letter to the Company, dated April 25, 1748. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, pp. 91–97.*]

To the Honourable the Court of Directors,

for affairs of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England Tradeing to the East Indies.

Honourable.

1. By the Warwick who sail'd hence the 15th. February We had the Honour to Address you under the 13th : of that Month, since when we have the Pleasure to acquaint you of the arrival h[ere] of your ships Porto Bello, Prince William, & True Briton the 30th : Ult°: as did your Snow the Swallow the 11th. Instt : The three former from Gallee, where they touched in Consequence of some Orders they received from the Secret Committee, and there waited according to Our Directions in a Letter lodged there for the Commanders of any of the Outward Bound shipping, till the Commodore sent the Harwich to Convoy them hither, and the latter is come from Batavia, having delivered the Pacquets she brought out for that place. We have also Landed the 14 Chests of Treasure that came on the Swallow. By private Advices from Batavia by this Vessell, We learn the Princess Augusta sail'd thence for this Port the 23d. Janry, and the Brilliant was to sail soon after the Snow likewise for this Place.

2. The Tryal arrived at Vizagapatam, having touch'd no where in her Passage from Europe, the 10th. Febry. and sailed again the next Day for Bengal, and We are advised she arrived safe there the 19th. February.

3. Your Commands by these several Conveyances have been all duely reced and shall be strictly observed, Immediately on Receipt of them Major Stringer Lawrence took his seat at the Board as Third of Council, and He with the Rest of the Gentlemen of Council desire your Honour's Acceptance of their sincere Acknowledgements for the Favours you have conferred on them in confirmg. them in their several Stations, and allowing them the same appointments, as were Enjoyed by the Gentlemen of Council at Madras.

4. Your Honours Direct that in regard to Major Lawrence's Allowances, they be on the same footing as Major Knipe Enjoyed. We must take the Liberty to acquaint you that Gentleman having Borrowed Money of the Company in England, and Dying soon after his arrival in Madras, he received no Pay there, nor can We get certain Information of what was to be allowed him. We have therefore settled his salary as Major at £ 300 ℔ Annum, and Pagodas 50 ℔ Month for other allowances, besides £ 70 ℔ Añn as third in Council, which We hope your Honr. will approve of, and We must assure you he takes a great deal of pains in Training up the Military, and makeing the several Dispositions necessary ; already this Garrison is in better Order than could well be expected, considering the short time that Gentleman has been with Us.

5. Agreeable to the Liberty you were pleased to Indulge us with [in] takeing in such of the Gentlemen who were your servants at Madras, as we might think proper We have accordingly entertained the following ; Messrs. Matthew Empson, William Smyth King, Hugh Harris, & John Trenwith, to whom we have given the same standing they were in at Madras, as also the Interval time since the takeing of that settlement, none of them Careing to accept of it without that time ; and We have promis'd the same to Messrs : Clive, Bulkely and Maskelyne, who now Act as Ensigns, by which they are of more service at present to your Honours than if they assisted in any of the Offices, as we stand so much in need of Officers, and We hope what we have done will meet with your Honour's Approbation ; The other Gentlemen who are not herein mentioned have Declined at present Entering into the Service.

6. In Obedience to your Orders noqa procuring an Investment, We immediately sent for the Merchants, and discoursed with them concerning the same, and We have the satisfaction to acquaint you they have promised to have ready by September about 3000 Bales or more of the several sorts mentioned in your List, provided We can make them sufficient Advances, part of which according to your Directions

We intend to Load the Porto Bello with, and dispatch her to your Honours some time in Septem̃ She is now under the Direction of Mr. Griffin, He having requested of us the use of her for a short time. We hope we shall have a sufficient quantity of Bales for another ship if the Merchants stand to their promises. But as we have no Beating Godown and but few Washers, we fear we shall not be able to get this Quantity cured, but We will use our Utmost Endeavours to procure all the Washers we can, and must make shift at present to beat the Cloth in a Godown that was Built for Grain last year, as the setting about Building a proper Place at this Juncture would take off too many hands besides materials from the Horn work which we are intent upon finishing with all Expedition.

7. As soon as we had Landed the several Articles we had need of from the Prince William we Dispatchd her for Bengal on the 13th. Instt: with 20 Chests of Rupees, a much smaller supply than we intended to send by her, but having information of the near approach of the Morattas to the settlement of Calcutta, we thought she might be of greater service in lying as a Guardship. The True Briton we detain'd till the 23d. of April, when she [sail]'d with 20 Chests more, By her we sent a supply of Money, Wares & Stores for the Northern Settlements, and we hope to get a Quantity of good Cloth from Vizagapatam & Ingeram by the Month of September. The Gentlemen there shall have all manner of Encouragement from us to forward their Investment, and We wish it had been in Our power to have supplied them before.

8 Capt: Norton Hutchinson has not as yet offered to pay any Money into your Honour's Cash on Account of his Respondentia on the Swallow, but if he should we shall not fail to grant him Certificates for the same, and observe your Directions in case of his Decease.

9. Your Honour's Orders in regard to any Money offered to be paid into your Cash shall be punctually observed.

10. On the 18th: March arrived our Vakeel from Nauzir Jing, in Our last we advised your Honours He had taken into the Company's service 300 Horsemen to serve us 3 Months; As soon as the Governour had received Advice of the agreement he wrote to the Vakeel that if he was not under the strictest Obligation to bring them down with him, he must save the Company that Expence; He accordingly made up the matter and brought none with him. By him came Letters. from Nauzir Jing and other Great Men, wherein they make large promises of Friendship: Nauzir Jing has also sent several Phirmaunds to be delivered to the several Poligars and Kiledars of this Province to assist us wth. Provisions and everything we may have Occasion for. He has also wrote to the Nabob of Arcot to assist Us, and We have reason to think not only Him, but the Country throughout wish well to Us, there having been a stagnation of Trade Inland ever since Madras has been taken. By Our next We will advise your Honours of the Expence of this Expedition which is but small, considering the Greatness of the Person we applied to.

11. It is with great Concern We are to acquaint your Honours of the Death of Mr. Jackson here the 20 Ultimo, as also of your Assay Master Mr. Foxall on the 4th. Instant. by which we are reduced to the necessity of trusting to the shroffs for the goodness of the Pagodas; As there is not now one person amongst us that has the least knowledge of that Business; We therefore hope Your Honours will think proper to send us ou[t] as soon as possible a Person qualified for Transacting the Business of the Mint, with an Assistant to succeed In case [of] an Accident to prevent in future the [neces]sity we are now drove [of] depending entirely upon the Black people. It is at present [under] the Inspection of Mr. William Holt, who as he Resides at Cudd[alore] can have a better Eye [over] the Minters.

12. As Our Enemies are furnished with a Troop of Horse by which they have greatly the Advantage of us in sending our Parties thereof, that make frequent Incursions near our Limits, & the Adjacent Villages. We have thought it absolutely necessary wth. the Opinion of Major Lawrence and several of the Officers to Raise a Troop also in your service, and have Granted Commissions to Lieutenant Gingins and Mr. Hallyburton to act as Lieutenants, & One to Ensign Cheesborough

to be a Cornett, these being the properest persons. We have only been able to provide Horses and Accouterments for 30 Men, but we daily expect more Horses from the Country, and hope in a short time to make up this number One Hundred.

13. As all the Books and papers were lost at Madras, We desire your Honours will be pleased to send us a Copy of the last sett of General Books that went home from that place, as also Copy's of such papers and Accounts as you think proper, that may serve to Direct Us in the method your Accounts are kept, as well to be of service in settling and adjusting any Accounts Relating to that settlement with the Merchants and others, though in the interim We shall not be wanting to get what light we can from the Conicoply's late of that place, but they represent to us that they lost all their Cadjans wherein they kept the Company's Accounts at the takeing of that place and this leads us to acquaint your Honours that being in the Greatest Necessity for a Person to Act as Sub Accomptant as none of your Covenanted servants think themselves qualified for that post, and it will require One of some Experience to bring the Accounts & Books into the same method they were carried on at Madras, We have thought proper to appoint Mr. Charles Hopkins to that Employmt. as we are informed he was the person that kept the Books the latter part of the time at Madras, and as he did not chuse to accept of it without some other Encouragement than what is usually allowed to a person in that station, We have nominated him a Factor, which we hope will meet with your Honours Approbation and that you will confirm him therein.

14. We are in hopes of sending your Honours by the Porto Bello some of the Chintz, that was in the hands of the painters, and was preserved by th[em] from the French, which are now finishing, having advanced them Money for that purpose.

15. Coja Mirza to whom the President & Council of Fort St. George advanced 4000 Pagodas for purchasing the Chay Goods, has at length Delivered the Amount thereof in the proper sortments which are safely Landed at Vizagapatam.

16. Our Merchants at last by frequently demanding it of them are about to pay one third of their Old Ballance, and have promised we shall have the Remainder in less than three Months. We should not have Granted them so much more time, but as they have Engaged in the Investment this year, we thought the Indulging them in such a Trifle might be an Encouragement to them to Exert themselves, and to bring in the best of Cloth.

17. Agreeable to your Directions to sett clearly before your Honours, what Demands may be on the Honble Company for Money Reced into their Cash, or due from them at Madras. We now enclose a List of some Bonds that were Granted by the late President & Council of that place and Bills which they allow to be just But we are inform'd there are several other persons, who are in Different parts of India that have also Bonds, which when we can get an Account of We shall not fail to advise you thereof, and besides these several have been transmitted home, which we doubt not but you have seen.

18. We have also a petition from John Gray formerly Master Carpenter of Madras, representing that upon the arrival of the French squadron the Garrison stores were immediately look'd into, and among many Deficiency's found therein, it was thought necessary to sett about makeing a Great number of Gun Carraiges, besides many other useful things in his way of Business; and though he often press'd the storekeeper for an Advance of Money to Enable him to carry on the Work he could get none, and not willing to appear troublesome, he borrow'd Money from sundry Gentlemen, Inhabitants of Madras, to forward this Work with the utmost Expedition; for which his Bonds run on at Interest from the time he took up the Money; and as his Creditors expected we should reimburse him the whole sum so laid out by him at Madras. They have hitherto been easy with him, but on his being told we could pay no Debts contracted at Madras without your Honour's Liberty for the same; they now press upon him for pa[y]ment of their just Demands which makes the Man very uneasy. He had a General good Character at Madras, and we assure your Honours he has been very Diligent & Usefull [to Us] so that we take the [Liberty to] Recommend him to you for payment of the Principal with [Interest] of his just and Reasonable Demand; in the meantime not to [Discou]rage

so usefull a man to this Garrison we shall Advance [him] a sum of Money to Enable him to carry on the necessary Business wth. spirit and Vigour, as he seems much to be cast down with the Disappointments he has met with, a Copy of his Petition comes enclosed in the Pacquet.

19. Also one from Peter Dencker, a person who by Order of the Governour & Council supplied the whole Garrison of Madras with Provision^{s}. and laid in a sufficient quantity of the same from the 18th. August, the first time the French went there (when all the people who gave Diet to the Military &c^{t}. ran away) till the 7th. Septem̃, And as it seems to be much of the same Nature as the foregoing One, and the poor Man is now Reduced to necessitous Circumstances. We have also taken the Liberty to Recommend him to your Honours for the payment of the Money due to him with the Interest thereon.

20 A few Days past we reced a Letter from the Governour & C^{a}. of Negapatam, a Copy of which you will receive in this Vessells pacquet acquainting us with some Orders they had received from their superiour's at Batavia, to do all possible Damage to the French in these parts, both by Sea & Land, and on the other part to keep up the strictest Correspondence with Us : to which end they had Dispatch'd the necessary Orders to all their subordinate settlements, as did We to Our's, and forwarded a Copy thereof to Bengal, and We shall strictly observe the same.

21. The Diamonds Registered by this Vessell amount to Pag^{s}. 2500 : — : — : as ℘ enclosed Account. We are very Respectfully

HONOURABLE

FORT S^{T}. DAVID Your Faithfull, & Most Obedient Humble Servants,

25TH. APRIL 1748.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH.
THOMAS COOKE *Junr.*

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS AND PRECIOUS STONES LICENSED BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID TO BE SHIPP'D ON BOARD THE GEORGE SNOW, CAP^{T}. THOMAS WADHAM VIZ^{T}.

By M^{r}. JOSEPH FOWKE Consigned to M^{r}. JACOB SALVADOR.

IF N°. 16 1 One Bulse of Diamonds value Pagodas Two Thousand five hundred ... Pagodas 2500 — —

FORT S^{T}. DAVID 25TH. APRIL 1748.

CHA^{s} : BOURCHIER, *Secty.*

FORT ST. DAVID 25TH. APRIL 1748.

A LIST OF BONDS ON THE HONOURABLE COMPANY FOR MONEY LENT AT FORT ST. GEORGE AND SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF THAT PLACE, WHICH HAVE HITHERTO BEEN CLAIM'D, TOGETHER WITH OTHER DEMANDS ON THEM UPON CERTIFICATE & ACCOUNT CURRENT. VIZT.

1 Bond.	To MARY POWNEY bearing Date 29th. July 1745 for Pagodas Two Thousand, six Hundred, Interest thereon for One year at 8 ℘ Cent has been paid, & it now carries Interest from 29th. July 1746	2600 — —	
1 Ditto.	To MARY POWNEY date 27 August 1746, for Pags. six Thousand five hundered at Interest of 8 ℘ Cent ℘ Am̄.	6500 — —	9100 — ...
2 Ditto.	To HENRY POWNEY Church Warden, bearing date the 30 September 1746, for Pagodas Two Thousand at Interest of 8 ℘ Cent ℘ Am̄. Bonds which were unfortunately destroy'd the 30th. October, the Day the French Declared the Town for the King of France.		2000 ... ...
1 Ditto.	To SOLOMON SALOMONS bearing Date the 30th. Sept. 1746, for Pagodas Forty Thousand at Interest of 8 ℘ Ct. ℘ Am̄ ...	...	40000 — ...
1 Ditto.	To EDWARD & JOSEPH FOWKE, on Account of the Coral & silver Consigners, bearing Date the 30 September 1746, for Pagodas Five Thousand, four hundred at Interest of 8 ℘ Cent ℘ Am̄	...	54[00] —
1 Ditto.	To JOSEPH FOWKE Mayor on Accot. of the Corporation stock of Madras bearing Date the 30 Septemr. 1746, for Pagodas Four thousand, three hundred & Sixty eight twenty six Fanams, sixty four Cash, at Interest of 8 ℘ Cent ℘ Am̄.	...	43[68]—[26]—[64]
1 Ditto.	To GEORGE JONES and LEVY MOSES bearing Date 1st. October 1746, for pagodas, Fifteen Thousand at Interest of 8 ℘ Cent ℘ Am̄.	...	15000 — —
1 Ditto.	To SIDNEY FOXALL bearing Date [*lacuna*] Septem̄. 1746 for Pagodas, Fourteen hundred at Interest of 8 ℘ Cent ℘ Am̄.	...	1400 — —

1 Ditto.	To Moses, Berend, Heyman, on Account of silver Consigned by George Arnold, and Henry Isaac's, bearing Date the 30th. septemr. 1746 for pagodas Ten Thousand at Interest of 8 ꝑ Cent ꝑ Anñ	...			10000	--	—
Certificate.	To Robert Sloper, bearing Date the 2d. Novemr. 1746, for Pags: three hundred and seventy seven Eighteen Fanams, for sundry's supplied the store keeper at Madras ...	...			377	18	—
	Account Current of John Gray Carpenter with the Hoñble Company, the Ballance whereof due to him being Pagodas, One Thousand, six hundred, sixty Nine, nineteen Fanams, and thirty two Cash, for Carpenters Work, & Materials made use of for the Hoñble Company, which ought to have been paid for by the store keeper	1669	19	32	...		
	Accot. Currt. of John Gray Carpenter with the Honble Comp the Ballance whereof due to him, being Pags: Eight Hundred Ninety seven, twenty three fanams, for Carpenters Work, & Materials made use of for the Hoñble Company, which ought to have been paid by the Paymaster	897	23	—			
					2567	6	32
	Accot. Currt: of Peter Dencker with the Hoñble Compny, the Ballance whereof due to him, being Pagodas Nine hundred & sixteen, twenty One Fanams, sixty nine Cash, for provisions deliver'd to the Military, Gunroom Crew, Seamen and Officers of ship Pss Mary, Freemen, Inhabitants, and French prisoners, by Order of Nicholas Morse Esqr. &ct. Council of Madras from the 13th. August to the 7th. Septemr. 1746 ...	...			916	21	69
1 Bond.	To Mary Powney bearing Date the 27 Augt: 1746, for Arcot Rupees Nine Thousand at Interest of 8 ꝑ Ct. ꝑ Anñ. A Rups.	9000	—	—	...		

1 Ditto.	To SOLOMON SALOMONS bearing Date the 1 August 1745 for Arcot Rupees Thirty Thousand at Interest of 8 ℘ Cent ℘ Ann	30000				
1 Ditto.	To SOLOMON SALOMONS bearing Date the 2d. Novr. 1746. for Arcot Rupees, Two Thousand at Interest of [8] ℘ Cent ℘ Añn	2000				
			32000			
	Arct. Rups :		410000 -- --	...		
	at 344 ℘ 100 Pagodas ...		...	11918	21	61
13 Bonds.			Pagodas ...	103048	22	56

CHAs. BOURCHIER
Secty.

LIST OF PAPERS IN THE PACQUET ℘ GEORGE SNOW.

1. General Letter to the Hoñble the Court of Directors Dated 25th. April 1748.

2. Duplicate General Letter to ... Ditto ... Dated 13 Febry 1747/8. 12

3. Register of Diamonds and percious stones ship'd on the George Snow.

4. Dupte Ditto ... ... ℘ Warwick.

5. Duplicate of Capt. Harry's Certificate for Pagodas 800 supplied him with, agreable to the Terms of ship Princess of Wales's Charterparty

6. Duplicate of Capt. Stevens's Certificate for Pagodas 1000, supplied him with, agreable to the Terms of ship Oxfords Charterparty.

7. Duplicate of Andeapah Moodelaires Accot. Currr. for the year . . . 1747.

8. Ditto . . . of Narrain Chittys ... Ditto ... for Ditto ... 1747.

9. Ditto ... of Irshapa Chittys ... Ditto ... for Ditto ... 1747.

10. Duplicate Account of the Investment ... for Ditto ... 1747.

11. Duplicate Calculate of the Expences and Revenues of this Settlement for the year 1747 compared with the former.

12. Duplicate List of the Hoñble Companys Revenues for the year 1747.

13. Dupte List of Debts Outstanding in Books Letters N,N. Ending April 1747.

14. Do. ... Abstracts of the Sea Customs of Cuddalore for the year 1747.

15. Do. ... Abstracts of the Land Customs of Ditto ... Ditto ... 1747.

16. Do. ... Abstracts of the Sea & Land Customs of Tevenepatam for the yr. 1747.

17. Do. ... Calculate of Broad Cloth & Treasure remaining at Fort St. David February the 11th. 1747/8.

18. Do. ... Surgeon's Indent for Medicines dated February 8th. 1747.

19. Do. ... Warehousekeepers Indent dated 11th. February 1747/8.

20. Do. ... List of the Hoñble Company Covenanted servants on the Coast of Choromandel.

21. Do. ... List of Madras Companys Servants and Inhabitants, now residing at Fort St. David.

22. Duplicate List of Marraiges, Christnings, & Burials for the year 1747.

23. D°. ... Surgeons List of Deaths for the year 1747.

24. Second Bill of Exchange for 500 Pounds on the Hoñble Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy payable to the United East India Compy Dated 28th. May 1747.

25. Letter of Advice on Ditto Dated 28th. May 1747.

26. Second Bill of Exchange for 500 Pounds [on] the Hoñble Commissi[oners] of his Majesty's Navy, payable to the United East India Company Dated the 30th. April 1747.

27. Letter of Advice on Ditto ... Dated 28th. May 1747.

28. Duplicate List of Books in the Warwick's Pacquet.

29. Dupli. Ministers Indent for sundries for the Use of the Chappel.

30. D°. ... List of Inhabitants at Fort St. David.

31. D°. ... Report of damaged Broad Cloth ℘ ship Brittannia, rec̃ed from Bengal.

32. D°. ... Account Sales of ... Ditto.

33. D°. ... Register of sundrys permitted to be ship'd on Board the Warwick for Accot. of Presents.

34. Dupli. Copy of a Council of War held 25th. December 1747.

35. D°. ... Surgeon of Ship Colchester's Receipt for head Money, paid him.

36. D°. ... Surgeon of Ship Winchelsea's Receipt for ... D°. . . D°.

37. D°. ... List of the Papers in the ship Warwicks Pacquet.

38. Surgeon of Ship Benjamin's Receipt for the Head Money paid him.

39. Surgeon of ship Prince Williams D°. ... D°. ... D°.

40. Surgeon of ship Porto Bello's ... D°. ... D°. ... D°.

41. Surgeon of ship True Britons ... D°. .. D°. ... D°.

42. List of Bonds on the Hoñble Company for Money Lent at Ft. St. George signed by the President & Council of that Place, together with other Demands on them upon Certificate and Account Current.

43. Copy of Letter from the Governour & Council of Negapatam to the President & Council of Fort St. David.

44. Copy of a Letter from John Gray Carpenter to the President & Council.

45. Petition of Peter Dencker.

46. Letter from Stringer Lawrence Esqr. to the Hoñble the Court of Directors.

47. Lettor from Ditto ... to the Hoñble the Secret Committee.

48. Capt. Thomas Wadhams Receipt for Pagodas 450, supplied him with for the Use of the George Snow.

49. List of the Pacquet ℘ George Snow.

Papers apart

50. Duplicate Surgeons Account of the Sick and Wounded from his Majesty's squadn: from the 2d. of March 1746/7 to Primo January 1747/8. Tickets Relating to the said Account.

51. Duplicate Muster Roll of the 6 Company's of Foot Soldiers & Artillery Compy at Fort St. David, dated Primo February 1747/8.

52. Dupli. List of the Peons, Seapoy's, Arabians, and Horsemen at Fort St. David Primo January 1747/8

53. Dupli. List of Military's arrival Entries, and Renewing their Contracts in the first Company of Foot Soldiers.

54. Dupli. List of Military's arrival Entries, and Renewing their Contracts in the Second.

55. D°. ... D°. ... Ditto in the Third.

56. D°. ... D°. ... Ditto in the Fourth.

57. Musters of Gold and Silver.

FORT S^T DAVID 25TH. [APRIL] 1748.

CHA^s. BOURCHIER, *Secty.*

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED SEPTEMBER 2, 1748.

[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, pp. 102–108*]

TO THE HON^BLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS

FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HON^BLE THE UNITED COMP^Y OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

The George Snow carried our last Advices to your Honours a Duplicate of which you will receive in this ship's Packet; And it is now with the utmost satisfaction that we are to acquaint you of the arrival here of all your ships, as well as those belonging to His Majestys under Adm^l: Boscawen in safety the time when is as follows.

Company's ships ...	Lapwing	8 : June
	Scarborough	19
	Duke of Dorset	22
	Wager	4 July.
	Hardwicke	8 :
His Majesty's Ships ...	Namur	26 : D° :
	Deptford	
	Young Eagle Bomb Tender ...	
	Vigilant	27 D°.
	Pembroke	
	Chester	
	Ruby	
	Swallow Sloop	
	Basilisk Bomb	
	Apollo Hospital ship	
	S^t. Francis Snow	
	Porto Bello Tender	
Company' Ships ...	Delawar	
	Edgebaston	
	Chesterfield	
	Admiral Vernon	
	Rhoda	
	Royal Duke	
	Lincoln	
	Edgecote	
	Elizabeth	
	Fort S^t. George	
	Royal George	
	His Majesty's Ship Deal Castle ...	4 August.

The Scarborough Duke of Dorset, Wa[ger] and Hardwicke as soon as they had delivered the King's stores [and] what they had on board for this Presidency, were immediately dispatched for China, The Scarborough the 8 : July, The Duke of Dorset the 11th. The Wager and Hardwicke the 23^d. and we hope will not be too late to gain their Passages; The Edgcote and Admiral Vernon of the four that

came with Admiral Boscawen and designed also for China, he discharged soon after his arrival here, but as the watering & victualing his Fleet and landing his Artillery employed all our Boats & Cattamorans, we could not possibly dispatch them till the 29th. of last month; The remaining two when the Admiral has no further service for them shall also follow them, as will the Delawar the next month, there is a quantity of Sandal wood ready for her at Tellicherry, from thence she goes to Benjar & so to China agreable to your Honours Directions.

This goes by the Benjamin bound to Bencoolen on whom we have laden 200 Bales and 22 Candy, three maunds fifteen Pounds of Redwood amounting to Pags. 15159. 16. 6 as ℘ Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosed, She carrys some few supplys for that Place, and the Deputy Governour & Council have our directions to fill her up with Pepper and dispatch her to your Honours as soon as possible. We wish it had been in our power to have fulfilled our promise of loading home another ship at this season, but upon our calling for the Merchants and reprimanding them for their dilatoriness in bringing in the Cloth and that they would not keep up to what they promised of providing 3000 Bales by September, they replied that they might by mistake have said that number, but they never meant above 1500, that they had met with great difficulty in providing what was already brought in from the troubles in the Country occasioned by the death of the Mogul & Nizam but their utmost endeavours should not be wanting to forward the Investment as much as lay in their Power; At present they have only brot: in 770 Bales and they promise a considerable number against January but as they have deceived us once we shall not name any certain number to your Honours but beg leave to assure you we shall not be wanting often to call upon them to put them in mind of their promise.

Agreable to your Honours directions we should have dispatched your Ship Lapwing to the Bay with a supply of Rupees but the 10th. June two days after her arrival appeared in sight eight French Ships, who stood for our Road till we could discover their Hulls very plain when they hawled off to the Eastward and kept a good Offing till sun set, at which time they tacked and stood to the southward, but this was only a Feint, for as soon as it was dark they tacked again and stood to the Northward, at this time Mr. Griffin was at an anchor in our road in the Princess Mary with the Exeter York, Harwich, Preston, Eltham Pearl, Medway's Prize & Lively besides the Whinchelsea, Bombay Ca[stle] & Exeter belonging to your Honours and about eleven that night weighed and stood to the Northward to prevent their getting into Pondicherry, which they never attempted but went to Madrass, where they landed some Military and Treasure, the quantity we can't be certain of, and after about two hours stay sailed away again leaving the Princess Emelia who was an Hospital Ship & a sloop beh[ind] them, All the next day Mr. Griffin lay off Pondicherry but seeing nothing of the Enemy the next night sailed for Madrass, where arriving too late, he thought it properest to return back and arrived here again the 23d.

As there was no Certainty which way these ships had bent their Course and Bengal being as likely a place for them to go to as any, we thought it most prudent to desist from sending any supplies thither till we could learn that place was in safety, and that we might be speedily advised thereof, the Admiral when he was at Madrass, dispatched the Lively to Bengal and ordered her to return immediately, but she not being yet arrived from thence and having recd. intelligence from Vizagapatam the 19: Ulto: that they had been at Ballasore the 22d: June, we immediately resolved upon dispatching the Exeter and Winchelsea with a supply of Rupees and they accordingly sailed the 25th. from Pondicherry road under Convoy of His Majesty's ships Apollo & Medway's prize with seventy five chests for Bengal also 32000 Madrass Pagodas and two Chests of Rupees for the Northern settlements and we hope in few days to send them the Porto Bello & Bombay Castle with seventy five chests more which will be as much as we can possibly spare them out of our present stock, which will consist of about One hundred and forty Chests after their next supply is gone, to answer the demands of the Camp, Fortifications Advances to our Merchants and several other Charges. The Lapwing being wanted for a private expenditure we beg leave to refer your Honours to the President for particulars thereof.

The French at Pondicherry as soon as they found our Fleet was sailed and imagining they must be gone in pursuit of theirs, thought it a very proper time to make an Attempt on Cuddalore and accordingly the 16 : June at night they marched out to the number of about 2000 Men Blacks & Whites; The next morning we had intelligenee they were marching to the southward and about noon that they were due West of us about four Miles distance from the Bounds hedge and from some deserters that came in we learnt that their number of Europeans was 900 and that they intended to attack Cuddalore that night, upon which the Major ordered a party of seapoys thither [late] in the Evening went himself About a quarter past nine they ma[de] a very brisk attack, but met with so warm a reeeption that in less [than] an hour they retreated with the loss of their Commanding Officer [and] 30 Europeans and fifty B[lacks] besides a great number that deserted [them] we were afterwards informed, and could we as easily have sent thither a field piece or two as the party of Men there would have been great slaughter made of them. This was so unexpected a repulse to them as we had given out that we intended to abandon it on their approach that they were quite disheartned from making any further Attempts at that time & so the next day they returned back again to Pondicherry.

As soon as our Forces were landed from the Fleet they immediately encamped to the Eastward of the Garden house where whey continued till all the Baggage and the Train was landed when your Honours Troops under the Command of Major Lawrence joined them, and the 8 : Ult°: they set out for Pondicherry but were obliged to make very short marches on account of their Baggage, that it was the 12 : before they got to a small Fort of the Enemys named Areaeopang about three miles to the southward of Pondicherry which was so well fortified by fascine Batteries and other works they had thrown up there that it was the 19th. before they got possession thereof. Whilst they were before this place, the Enemy one morning attack'd our Trenches upon which our people gave way and very unfortunately our brave Major and one Capt. Bruce of the Independent Companies by their people leaving them were made prisoners and we should have suffered considerably had not Capt. Hollond (from whom we are afraid we shall have no more service this season as he has reeeived a musket shot in his shoulder) with a great deal of briskness rallied our people, who upon giving one smart fire drove the Enemy quite away and took several Prisoners; We have since received a letter from the Major, who says he recd. no hurt in the action and that they meet with extream good treatment. We have also been so unfortunate as to lose Mr. John Hallyburton to whom as we before acquainted your Honours we had given a Commission to be Lieutenant of the Troop of Horse and of which he was very deserving, for he took infinite trouble in disciplining the Troop and shewed himself very active in the field: It was by one of our own seapoys that he had the misfortune to be killed, who shot him upon his reprimanding him for some offence of which the poor Gentleman died the next day, and the Villain did not live so long for his Comrades that stood by him cut him to pieces immediately. When he had got possession of Areacopang after a stay there of a few days, they marched round to the westward and are since gone to the Northward where they are landing their heavy Artillery and carrying on their Approaeh[es].

On the 7th. May returned here your Honours ship Princess Augusta from Batavia who brought us a supply of Timber & Plank as also Arrack for the Garrison which was provided by Messrs. Harrison & Parsons, who [when] hearing of Capt. Jacobs's death and Mr. Lesley's (the Chief mate) being a stranger took upon them the execution of our Instructions to Capt. Jacobs and loaded her accordingly thereto. Upon her arrival here finding Mr. Lesley very unfit for the command we conferred it on Capt. Michael Collings an experienced and good seaman. On the 23 : June the Brilliant Snow returned here again who is gone on another private Cruize and on the 16. Ult°: arrived here the Oxford from Batavia with the stores she was sent for from thence, for the use of his Majesty's ships and this Garrison.

The Ships Porto Bello Prinee William & True Briton having brought us several Packets from your Honours for the Presidency of Bombay which not careing to trust overland in these precarious times and no sea Conveyance offering we

came to a resolution to dispatch the Tryall Snow with them who accordingly sailed the 11th. June and by letters from thence of the 8 : Ulto. : we are informed she arrived there the 5th. and that by advices recd. by the Rose Galley who arrived there that day from Mocha they were acquainted that the Essex imported there the 9th. July.

Your Honours orders relating to not suffering a Romish Church or their Preists within our Bounds, should have been immediately put in execution, but after some consideration we found it would be attended with very ill Consequences at this juncture having 529 Topasses in Garrison and were we to turn the two preists out not one would remain with us and we beg leave to advise your Honours the Officers assure us they behaved very well in all the actions against the Enemy particularly in the last at Cuddalore of which Major Lawrence was an Eye witness and it was his opinion (although he is not here to confirm it) that we ought not to run the risque of losing such a part of the Garrison whom we think much be attached to this place by living long in it and the greatest part of them having Families here: We have not lost one by desertion which could not have been prevented from some of the Outposts had they been so inclined : The Enemy at Pondicherry would have gladly recd. them which would have distressed us very much , upon the whole we hope we shall not be censured for not complying with this order as we are of opinion it would have proved of the highest ill Consequence to have put the same in execution at this Juncture when we are so much in want of Men. But as soon as we are furnished with a sufficient number of Europeans we shall not then hesitate at putting your orders into immediate Execution.

We have acquainted Mr. Lenox with that Paragraph of your letter relating to [him] and he intends to take his passage accordingly home in January.

Agreable to your directions we have sent [for] the Madrass Merchants to come and settle their Accounts and [they] write us that they will be here shortly, and we have the satisfaction to acquaint your Honours that of the Ballance that was due to you from our old set of Merchants by continually pressing them for payment we have reduced it to a very small sum which will be paid within this month.

In our letter by the George we acquainted your Honours of the necessity we were put to for a person to act as Sub Accomptant and as Mr. Hopkins transacted Business of that Station at Madrass and could put our Books into some method we had appoint'd him as such and nominated him as a Factor, but after the departure of that Vessel by a fit of Illness seizing Mr. Hopkins that obliged him to keep at home for some weeks, we were reduced to the same Inconvenience as before of having no body to go on with our Books and at the same time finding that the employ he had of taking Care of the Boats, when the Fleet arrived would take up so much of his time as to allow him very little to transact the Business of the Office, he desired we would excuse him therefrom, and fix upon sombody else upon which understanding that Mr. John Duncome was experienced in Book keeping, we appointed him to the employ of Sub Accomptant & ordered Mr. Hopkins to be struck off the List of Servants.

In this Ship's Packet comes the receipts of several of the Commanders for money taken up to procure provisions &ca. for their ships agreable to the terms of Charter-party & are as follows.

Captain Thomas Browne's	1st. receipt dated	18 March	1747--8 for P.	1000
Do.	1st.	5 Augst.	1748 for	1500
Captain Chrisr : Baron's	1st.	29 March	1748 for	500
Do.	do.	19 July	1748 for	500
Do.	do.	22 Augst.	1748 for	500
Captain William Weston's	do.	21 July	1748 for	2000
Captain Ben : Fisher's	do.	23 Aug :	1748 for	1000

As Also Mr. William Belsches's Accounts from the 1st. Janry to the 25th. July la[st] amounting to Pags. 9960. 9 which he has been advanced by us and the tick[et] relating thereto accompany them.

As the Military are all in the Field and their Rolliers with them it is impossible to send your Honours by this ship regular muster Rolls of the several Companies & train of Artillery but they shall be sent by the first Conveyance after their return from this expedition.

Our Fortifications are almost at a stand at present. The General having greatest part of our Bricklayers with him, as to what part of them has been carried on since our last we beg leave to refer your Honours to our President & Engineer for the particulars thereof.

Immediately on receipt of your letter by the Hardwicke the [Oath] therein prescribed by your Honours was taken by Us all here and we shall accordingly write to our Friends to be bound for us in the usual sum. The favour you have conferred on us we beg leave to return your Honours our sincere thanks for and desire you will be assured that our utmost Care shall not be wanting in the management of your Affairs here. Upon the General's requesting that one of the Council might go with him to Camp, M^r^. Wynch was pitched upon for the person is the reason of his not signing hereunder. We have acquainted the Gentlemen to the Northward of your Honours appointment of them to this Board and we expect Messrs. Prince & Westcott by the first Conveyance, M^r^. Saunders has requested leave to stay to settle his Affairs & M^r^. Goodere is left for the present in Charge of your Affairs at Vizagapatam.

Having made up the Account of our present to Nazir Jing, the whole amount thereof with the Charges is Twenty thousand five hundred eighteen Pagodas four Fanams & seventy seven Cash 20518. 4. 77. The particulars of which are entered on our Consultations which we do not send at present as most of our hands are gone to camp but they shall follow by a future Conveyance.

Having rec^d^. a Packet from your Honours from the President & Council of Bombay which they desire may be forwarded by the first Opportunity, We now send the same in this ship's Packet with the Papers apart and is under N°. 41. We are very respectfully

FORT S^r^. DAVID — HONOURABLE

2 : SEP^r^. 1748. — Your Faithful and Obedient Hum servants

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
[*lacuna*].
WILLIAM HOLT.
[*lacuna*].

LETTER TO CAPTAIN G. MEARD, DATED SEPTEMBER 2, 1748. [*Public Despatches to England*, *Vol. 16*, *p. 108*].

TO CAPTAIN GEORGE MEARD
OF SHIP BENJAMIN

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way of Fort Marlbro on the West Coast of Sumatra where you are to deliver our Packet directed to the Deputy Govr. & Council there and follow the Orders you shall receive from them. The Packet we now deliver you directed to the Honble the Court of Directors you are send your Purser ashore with and to forward to them with all expedition at the first Port you arrive at in England. What Orders may be necessary to be observed in your Passage to the West Coast and home and for your dispatch from Fort Marlbro you will receive from the Presid^t^: and we strictly enjoin your Compliance therewith. Dated in Fort S^t^. David this 2^d^. day of Sepr. 1748.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
[*lacuna*].
WILLIAM HOLT.
[*lacuna*].

List of Papers in the Packet ℘ Benjamin.

No. 1. General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors dated the 2d. Sepr. 1748.
2. Duplicate Do. 25 Apl. 1748.
3. Triplicate Do. 13 Feb. 1747-8.
4. Invoice of Ship Benjamin's Cargo amounting to Pags. 15159. 16. 6.
5. Bill of Lading for the Benjamins' Europe Cargo.
6. List of Packing stuff on 200 Bales laden on board the Benjamin at Fort St. David.
7. The Benjamin's Account Tonage.
8. Duplicate Register of Diamonds & precious stones licenced to be shipped on the George Snow.
9. Duplicate surgeon of ship Benjamin's Receipt for Headmoney paid him.
10. Do. Prince Williams Do.
11. Do. Porto Bello's Do.
12. Do. True Britons Do.
13. Duplicate List of Bonds on the Honble Compy for money lent at Fort St. George signed by the President & Council of that place together with other demands on them upon Certificate and Account Current.
14. Duplicate Copy of a letter from the Governour & Council of Negapatam to the President & Council of Fort St. David.
15. Duplicate Copy of a letter from John Gray Carpenter to Presidt. and Council.
16. Duplicate petition of Peter Dencker.
17. Duplicate Capt. Thomas Wadham's receipt for Pags. 450 supplied him with for the use of the George Snow.
18. Ditto Capt. Thomas Wadham's receipt for the Packet ℘ George Snow.
19. Captain Thomas Browne's first receipt for 1000 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Bombay Castle's Charterparty dated 18 March 1747/8.
20. Captain Thomas Browne's first receipt for 1500 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Bombay Castle's Charterparty dated 5th. August 1748.
21. Captain Christopher Baron's first receipt for 500 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Winchelsea's Charterparty dated 29: March 1748.
22. Captain Christopher Baron's first receipt for 500 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Winchelsea's Chaterparty dated 19 July 1748.
23. Captain Christopher Baron's first receipt for 500 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Winchelsea's Charterparty dated the 22d. August 1748.
24. Captain William Weston's first receipt for 2000 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Exeter's Charterparty dated the 21 July 1748.
25. Captain Benjamin Fisher's first receipt for 1000 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Porto Bello Charterparty dated the 23 August 1748.
26. Surgeon of Ship Lapwing's first receipt for head money paid him.
27. Do. ... Scarborough's ... Do.
28. Do. ... Wager's ... Do.
29. Do. ... Duke of Dorset's ... Do.
30. Do. ... Hardwicke's ... Do.

[31]. List of the Honble Companys Covena[nted] servants on the Coast of Choromandel.

32. List of Inhabitants Men Women & Children.

33. List of Marriages Christnings & Burials commencing the 14 Febry : 1747·8 and ending the 31 : August 1748.

34. Copy of Capt : Meard's dispatch.

36. List of Books in the Packet ℘ Ship Benjamin.

35. List of the French ships that appeared off Fort St : David the 10 : of June.

37. List of Papers in the Packet ℘ Ship Benjamin.

38. Surgeon's accounts of the Sick & Wounded from his Majesty's squadron from pmo. Jan : 1747.8 to Ulto : July 1748.

39. Tickets relating to the said Accounts.

40. Musters of Gold & Silver vizt :

One Bag Conts : 35 Arcot Rupees.
One Do. ... 4 Madrass Pagodas.
One Do. ... 2 Star Pagodas.

41. A Packet from the President & Council of Bombay directed to the Honble Court of Directors.

Fort St: David 2 : September 1748.

Charles Bourchier
Secry.

General letter to the Company dated October 11 & 12, 1748.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, pp. 110 and 111*].

To the Honble the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the Honble the United Company
of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies.

Honourable.

We addressed your Honours last by the Benjamin under the 2d : Ulto : which ship we then dispatched with Two hundred 200 Bales and Redwood to the West Coast to be filled up there, as we now do your ship Oxford to the Malabar Coast to compleat Her Tonage having put on board her three Hundred 300 Bales and thirty 30 Tons of Redwood as ℘ Invoice & Bill of Lading.

Messrs : Prince and Westcott having arrived here the 28 : Ulto : they accordingly the 30th : took their seats at the Board and the prescribed oath.

Since the departure of the Benjamin we have been applied to by the Reverend Father Severini Superiour of the Romish Church at Madrass for the payment of a Bond for six thousand 6000 Pagodas given by the late President & Council of that place for so much received into our Cash there on account of the Orphans but as your Honours direct that none of those demands be discharged till further orders we have let him know the same, As also Mrs. Madeiros, from whom a few days past we received a letter to the same effect concerning the three Bonds mentioned by your Honours in your letter of the 20. January 1747 and also as you directed that when you shall think proper to order them to be discharged, that it shall be done on the Coast and not in Bengal.

By this time we were in great hopes to have had the pleasure of acquainting your Honours of our Forces having subdued Pondicherry, but from the lateness of the Season and the Sickness of our People, One thousand of which being now in the Hospital The General has been obliged to raise the seige and the Forces arrived here the 7 : Instant.

With this ship will sail the Delawar for Tellicherry. The Porto Bello we dispatched the 4 : Sep^r^: to the Bay with a supply of Treasure and the Bombay Castle followed her the 30th: with a further supply. The Lapwing has also returned from her private expedition & sailed for the Bay the 6 : instant.

Captain Thomas Stevens having taken out of the Cash consigned to him by us two thousand 2000 Rix Dollars at Batavia on the Terms of ship Oxford's Charterparty ; Inclosed we send your Honours his receipt for the same, as also his first receipt for three thousand five hundred 3500 Pagodas received on the same account here and we are also to acquaint your Honours that we have granted Certificates to that Gentleman for one hundred & twenty 120 Pagodas received of him into your Cash here on account of the Estate of Capt: Robt: Misenor late of ship Warwick deceased. We are.

FORT S^T^: DAVID
11 : Oct^r^ : 1748.

HONOURABLE

Your Faithful & Obed^t^: Hum Servants

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
RICHARD PRINCE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

POSTSCRIPT

The Bills of Exchange we now draw on your Honours at ninety days sight are as follow

FOR FREE MERCHANTS @ 7.8 ℔Pag :

1 One set payable to M^r^: William Cooke or Order value received here of him... Pag^s^: 261 ... ... £100.1

We are

HONOURABLE

FORT S^T^. DAVID
12 Oct^r^: 1748.

Your very Faithful & Obed : Hum serv^ts^ :

CHARLES FLOYER &c^a^. Co :

LIST OF THE FORT S^T^: DAVID PACKET FOR ENGLAND ℔ SHIP OXFORD.

N°. 1. General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors ℔ Oxford dated 12 : Oct: ... ... } 1748
2. Duplicate D^o^. ... ... ℔Benjamin ... ... 2 Sep. ... ... }

3. Triplicate D^o^. ... ... 13 Feb: 1747.8.

4. Duplicate Invoice of ship Benjamin's Cargo amo^tg^: to Pag^s^. 15159.16.6.

5. Duplicate Bill of Lading for the Benjamin's Europe Cargo.

6. Duplicate list of Packing stuff on 200 Bales laden on board the Benjamin, at Fort S^t^: David.

7. Duplicate the Benjamin's Account Tonage.

8. Captain Thomas Stevens's first receipt for 2500 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Oxford's Charterparty ated 15: Sep^r^: 1748.

9. Captain Thomas Stevens's first receipt for 1000 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Oxford's Charterparty dated 5th: Oct^r^: 1748.

10. Captain Thomas Browne's second receipt for 1000 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Bombay Castle's Charterparty dated 18: Mar 1747.8.

11. Captain Thomas Browne's second receipt for 1500 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Bombay Castle's Charterparty dated 5 : Aug : 1748.

12. Captain Christopher Baron's second receipt for 500 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of Ship Winchelsea's Charterparty dated 2? : Mar : 1748.

13. Captain Christopher Baron's second receipt for 500 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Winchelsea's Charterparty dated 19 : July 1748.

14. Captain Christopher Baron's second receipt for 500 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Winchelsea's Charterparty dated 22 Aug : 1748.

15. Captain William Weston's second receipt for 2000 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Exeter's Charterparty dated 21 : July 1748.

16. Captain Benjamin Fisher's second receipt for 1000 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Porto Bello's Charterparty dated 23 : Aug : 1748.

17. Captain Thomas Stevens of the Oxford's first receipt for 2000 Rix Dollars taken up by him at Batavia for the use of his Ship according to the Charterparty terms.

18. Surgeon of Ship Lapwing's second receipt for Head money paid him.

19. D°. ... ... Duke of Dorsett's D° :

20. D°. ... ... Hardwicke's D° :

21. D°. ... ... Scarborough's D°.

22. D°. ... ... Wagers D°.

23. List of French ships that appeared off Fort S^{t} : David 10 : June.

24. Captain George Meard's second receipt for the Packet ℔ Benjamin.

25. Duplicate List of Books in the Packet ℔ ship Benjamin.

26. List of Papers in the Packet ℔ ship Oxford dated 13 : October 1748.

FORT S^{T} : DAVID 13 : Oct^{r} : 1748.

CHARLES BOURCHIER

Sec^{ry}.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED OCTOBER 17 & 19, 1748.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 16, pp. 113 and 114.*]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY
OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND
TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES

HONOURABLE

The President having acquainted us with his intention to dispatch the Swift Snow to your Honours in few days, we now take the opportunity of sending you by her a duplicate of our last address by your ship Oxford whom we dispatched the 11th : instant to be filled up on the Malabar Coast, as you will observe therein, As also of our having been so unfortunate as to be obliged to raise the seige of Pondicherry, a more particular account of which we suppose General Boscawen will transmit you, therefore beg leave to refer you thereto.

In our letter by the Benjamin of the 2^{d} : Sepr. a Triplicate of which we now enclose, we acquainted your Honours of the misfortune we had met with in losing our Major, who was taken Prisoner by the Enemy at Areacopang as also of the Fate poor M^{r}. Hallyburton met with. In the several Skirmishes since with the Enemy Lieutenant Browne of the Bengall Detachment has been killed and Ensign Wright of the Bombay Detachment and by the inclosed return you will observe the number of Men we have lost on this expedition. There is an exchange of Prisoners on foot between the Genl. & M^{r}. Dupleix who is very ready to exchange all but Major Lawrence, as he is pretty well acquainted with the use that Gentleman is of to Us, but as the General has returned him for answer that unless he is exchanged none of the rest shall, but be sent to Europe, we hope that may have an effect upon him and induce him to favour us with the Major again : Capt : Morgan having laid down on acc^{t} : of his Age and Infirmities Capt : Hollond acts at present as Commandant being pretty well recovered of the wound he received at Areacopang.

It is the opinion of most People residing here that we have no Authority by the Copy of the Charter now with us to erect a Civil Court in this place as it was designed for the City of Madrassapatnam and now in the name of the Govr: & Council of that place therefore we beg your Honours will please to set us right in this affair as soon as possible.

On the 13th. instant imported with us the Colchester from Bengal with a supply of Rice, Wheat & Saltpetre and as His Majesty's ships are now taking in supplies of Water & Provisions against they leave the Coast, We have as yet not been able to take out any of her loading as the Boats are all employed by them, but we shall do it as expeditiously as possible.

On Mr. Wynch's return from Camp Mr. Prince was appointed to the Employment of Paymaster, Mr. Wynch Import Warehousekeeper & Sea & Land Custr. of Tevenepatam, Mr. Westcott Storekr. & Scavinger, Mr. Saunders to the Chiefship of Vizagapatam, Mr. Goodere Resident at Ingeram, Mr. Churchey second of Council of Vizagapatam & Mr. Banks third.

Mr. Charles Nicholls whom we sent to reside at Negapatam to send advices dying there in July last, We supplyed his place with one Mr. Peter St. Paul who came out in Mr: Boscawen's fleet he being very well qualified for such a post as he is master of several languages.

The Diamonds registered by this Vessel amount to Pags. 65557. 7. 10 as ꝑ the inclosed account and we are.

FORT ST. DAVID — HONOURABLE

17TH. OCTR. 1748. — Your Faithful & most Obedt. Hum: Servants.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
RICHARD PRINCE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

POSTSCRIPT

Since closing this letter Capt. John De Morgan has delivered into us a Bond for Pagodas twelve hundred 1200 @ 8 ꝑ Cent ꝑ Annum and dated the 8: Novr. 1745 given him by the late President & Council of Fort St. George which He desires we would mention to your Honours and that you would order it to be discharged when the rest are that were given at Fort St. George We are

FORT ST. DAVID — HONOURABLE

19TH. OCTR. 1748. — Your Faithful & most Obedt. hum servants

CHARLES FLOYER
&cA. COUNCIL.

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS AND PRECIOUS STONES LICENCED TO BE SHIPPED ON THE SWIFT SNOW BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID IN RETURN FOR CORAL &cA. VIZr.

By Mr. JOSEPH FOWKE to Mr. JACOB SALVADORE or order

S. N°: 1	1 One Bulse of Diamonds Vizt.				
	In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads IF N° : 1 imptd. ꝑ Salisbury 1746 ...		579	33	40
	In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads (S) N°: A & B ꝑ Salisbury 1746 ...		1276	35	60

			In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads SB. N°: 6 & 7 ꝑ Brittania 1746 ...	1063	11	—			
			In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads E. N°: 5 ꝑ Marlbro 1746	1100	35	5			
			In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads RE. N°. 16 ꝑ Salisbury 1746	902	11	6			
			In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads E. N°: 4 ꝑ Houghton 1746	914	29	50			
			In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads FS N°: 5 ꝑ Brittania 1746	741	22	34			
							6579	34	35
			By Mr: JOSEPH FOWKE to Mr: JACOB SALVADORE or Order.						
F ...	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value		...		5000	—	—
			By Mr: JOSEPH FOWKE to Mr. BENJAMIN MENDES DA COSTA or order.						
[...]	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds Vizt:						
			In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads AC. N°: 6 ꝑ Hough- C ton 1746	669	33	—			
			In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads BR N°: 14 ꝑ Marlbro 1746	1132	—	45			
							1801	33	45
			By Messrs. JOSEPH FOWKE & CHARLES BODDAM to Mr: BENJAMIN MENDES DA COSTA or order.						
✡	6	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Box of Coral Beads ✡ N°: 6 ꝑ C[æ]sar 1747		...		1969	27	78
			By Mr. JOSEPH FOWKE to Mr: NATAL LEVI SONSINO or order.						

Mark	No.	Bulses	Description			
[...] F [...] S }...	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads BF NS } Nº: 2 ℔ Salisbury 1746	1250	—	—
[...] S ...	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads CS Nº: 2 ℔ Marlbro 1746	936	35	8
			By Mr. Joseph Fowke to Mr: Aron Goldsmid or Order.			
[...] E ...	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Silver RE Nº: 1 ℔ Salisbury 1746	910	22	40
			By Nicholas Morse Esqr: & Mr: Joseph Fowke to Mr: Mathews Beachcroft or Order.			
VN ...	11	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral VN Nº: 11 ℔ Brittania 1746	1089	21	51
			By Mr: Joseph Fowke to Mr: Abraham Da Fonseca or Order.			
AA Nº:	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Box of Coral Beads AA Nº: 2 ℔ Marlbro 1746	599	18	23
			By Mr: Moses Berend Hyman to George Arnold Esqr: & Mr: Joseph Salomons or order.			
AS Nº: 3 & 4		2	Two Bulses Diamonds in full for the remains of six chests of silver ℔ Salisbury & Marlbro 1746 ...	6491	—	[3...]
			By Mr: Moses Berend Heyman to Messrs: Henry Isaac & Levy & Reuben Salomons or Order.			
IS Nº. 5 & 6		2	Two Bulses Diamonds in full for the remains of six Chests silver ℔ Marlbro & Salisbury 1746... ...	6497	7	4[...]
			By Mr. Moses Berend Heyman to Mr. Henry Isaac or Order.			
HI Nº. 6		1	One Bulse Diamonds in full for the remains of two chests of silver ℔ Marlbro & Salisbury 1746 ...	3729	2	[4...]
			By Mr. Moses Berend Heyman to Messrs. Levy & Reuben Salomons or order.			

MB H N°. 1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	1390	9	[...]
		By M^r^. Moses Berend Heyman to Messrs. Levy & Reuben Salomons or order.			
MB H N°. 2	1	One Bulse Diamonds	1665	10	40
		By M^r^. Solomon Salomons to Messrs. Abraham & Jacob Franco or order.			
◈ AIF N°. 10 @ 12	3	Three Bulses Diamonds vizt. value 9446. 29. 77.			
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads ◈ N°. 29 ℘ Houghton 1746.	1518	30	[...]
		In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads ◈ N°. 13 ℘ Houghton 1746	730	30	77
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads A F I N°. 8 ℘ Salisbury 1746	1469	10	55
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads M N°. 8 ℘ Salisbury ...	1057	14	6[...]
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads RA F N°. 1 ℘ Houghton 1746	663	[...]	[...]
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads IMF N°. 22 ℘ Houghton 1746	1635	[...]	[...]
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads IMF N°. ℘ Salisbury 1746.	335	3[...]	[...]
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads I F D N°. 29 ℘ Salisbury 1746	2035	2[...]	[...]
		By M^r^. Solomon Salomons to M^r^. Phineas Serra or Order.			
PS N°. 3	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads IP F N°. 1 ℘ Salisbury 1746	2833	25	[...]
		By M^r^. Solomon Salomons to M^r^. Natal Levi Sonsino or order.			
RE N°. 28	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads RE N°. 28 ℘ Marlbro 1746	1308	9	[...]
		By M^r^. Solomon Salomons to M^r^. Benjamin Mendes da Costa or order.			
✡ N°. 2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads ✡ N°. 2 ℘ Marlbro 1746	809	35	[...]
		By M^r^. Solomon Salomons to Messrs. Henry & Peter Muilman & David Salomons or order.			
MS N°. 1 & 2	2	Two Bulses of Diamonds value ...	8246	1[...]	[...]

Of which Pag^s. 5497. 19. 52 in full returns for 2 Chests of silver M.S. N°. 1 & 2 ℔ Wager 1746.

By M^r. SOLOMON SALOMONS to Messrs. AARON FRANKS & DAVID SALOMONS or Order.

A S F N°. 5	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	...	3000	...	...
	25	Bulses Amounting to	... Pagodas	65557	7	10

FORT S^r. DAVID 20. OCT^r. 1748

CHARLES BOURCHIER
Secry.

LIST OF THE FORT S^r. DAVID PACKET FOR ENGLAND ℔ SWIFT SNOW DATED 19 OCT^R. 1748.

N°. 1 General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors ℔ Swift Snow dated 17 Octr. 1748.
2 Duplicate D°. ℔ Oxford ... 12 Octr. 1748.
3 Triplicate D°. ℔ Benjamin ... 2 Sepr. 1748.

4 Captain Thomas Stevens's second receipt for 2500 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Oxford's Charterparty dated 15th. Sepr. 1748.

5 Captain Thomas Steven's second receipt for 1000 Pagodas supplied him agreable to the terms of ship Oxford's Charterparty dated 5th. Octr. 1748.

6 Captain Thomas Stevens of the Oxford's second receipt for 2000 Rix Dollars taken up by him at Batavia for the use of his ship according to the Charterparty terms.

7 Register of Diamonds & Precious stones licenced to be shipped on the Swift Snow by the President & Council of Fort S^t. David in return for Coral &c^t. amo^ts. to Pag^s. 65557. 7. 10.

8 List of the Honble Comp^y's Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Choromandel.

9 List of Inhabitants Men, Women & Children dated 16. Octr. 1748.

10 List of Marriages Christnings & Burials commencing 14. Feb. 1747. & ending 12. Octr. 1748.

11 Surgeon's Accounts of the Sick & Wounded from His Majesty's squadron from pr^mo. Jan^ry. 1747/8 to ult°. July 1748.

12 Surgeon's List of Deaths.

13 Return of the Troop of Horse & Foot soldiers since the first Encampment.

14 Masters of silver vizt. One Bag containing Arcot Rupees 16.

15 List of Papers in the Fort S^t. David Packet ℔ Swift Snow dated 19. Octr. 1748.

FORT S^T. DAVID 19. OCT^R. 1748.

CHARLES BOURCHIER,
Secry.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED JANUARY 16, 1749.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, pp. 1—4.*]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

Your Ship Lapwing having been compleatly loaded by the President and Council of Fort William and ordered to call here for any Advices we might have to send to your Honours is the occasion of our addressing you at Present, which we beg leave to defer doing under the Establisht Heads till the latter end of the Month when we purpose to dispatch to you either the Ships Porto Bello and True Briton or the Winchelsea with a loading from hence and shall then also send our Annual Books and Papers. But as neither are yet arriv'd with us from the Bay (notwithstanding they all left it before the Lapwing) and one or the other (as we have not sufficient Tonnage here for them all) must be sent to Tillicherry, where there will be Pepper enough to Compleat their loading with, and from whence they may be dispatch'd this Season, we apprehend it must be the two former, as the latter is ordered to call at Vizagapatam for what Bales may be there from whence we imagine it may be some time before she arrives and afterwards the unloading of her will detain her some days longer which we fear will make it so late as to endanger her losing her Passage round Ceyloan or else we should resolve upon sending her thither as by keeping the other two here we might divide the Risque of the Tonnage to be sent from hence, which being of greater value than the Pepper we think ought to be first considered.

Upon receipt of your Honours letter of the 10th. May last overland advising of the Cessation of Arms and the Preliminary Articles being signed for the restoring a General Peace and the Admirals acquainting us that he should upon the return of your Ships after the Monsoon deliver them over to Us, As we shall have so much Tonnage upon our Hands and the President and Council of Bombay wrote us there would be upwards of twelve hundred Tons of Surplus Pepper on the Malabar Coast for any Ships we or the Gentlemen in Bengall might have to send to take it in, We accordingly came to a resolution to send the Colchester round thither and after having put on board her some Redwood and Saltpetre she saild for Tellicherry the 21st: Ult°: from whence we receivd advice the 8th. inst: that the Delamar arriv'd there the 19th. Novr. where she took in three hundred Candies of Sandal Wood and the 1 Ultimo sailed on her inte[n]ded voyage. The 3d. the Orford and Stretham arrivd there from Bombay the former of which was dispatchd the next day to Anjengo to fill up and the latter sailed the 16th. following for Bombay with Pepper.

The day after the receipt of the News of the Cessation of Arms &ca. and His Majesty's Proclamation thereof General Boscawen sent an Accot: of the same to Mr. Dupleix whereupon Major Lawrence and Capn. Bruce that was taken Prisioner with him were permitted to give their Paroles & come hither and upon the Arrival of the Favourete with them the 7 instant, who brought a Confirmation of the same all the Prisioners they had there belonging to us were sent hither and the Major has again taken Charge of the Garrison which we had deliver'd to Capt. Holland as being the Oldest Officer (Capn. Morgan having laid down the service on Account of Age and Infirmities) and Constituted him Commandant at the same allowances as were granted to Capn. Gibson, but he having now deliverd up the same again and there being at present no prospect of any further Action here he purposes to proceed to Bengal by the first Conveyance that offers to take the Command of the Company your Honours have order'd him there. The Vacancy made by Capn. Morgan we fill'd up with Mr. William Henry Southby who was a Lieutenant of Mariners in his Majestys Service upon the Generals recommendation of him for the same and that made by Capn. Gingins being appointed of the Troop of Horse, as Mr. John

Scrimsaur was the next Senior Officer we gave him the Compy but with this Proviso, that should your Honours not think proper to continue the Troop that he should resign the same to Capn. Gingins again, And in his room have appointed Mr. James Cope a Lieutenant as well as Adjutant as an Encouragement for the Pains he takes in disciplining the Military and we are inform'd that is the Post he bore whn. in His Majesty's Service; Being in need also of an Officer that had some knowledge in the Train Duty, we have given a Commission to one Peter Nost who bore the Station of a Bombardier in His Majestys Train of Artillery and has been bred up in that branch from his Infancy, though at present he acts as an Ensign of the Military, but we purpose shortly to remove him to our Train of Artillery and make him a Lieutenant which we hope will meet with your Honours Approbation.

The Number of Bales we shall have to send your Honours will be about 1500 Besides 500 sent on Ships Benjamin & Oxford and we think are of a pretty good manufacture, though we have been oblig'd to advance the prices of some of the Sortments two Pagodas ℔ Corge more than we at first contracted for, as the Cloth the Merchants brought in was very bad the reason of which was owing they alleged to the troubles in the Country from the Morattas and the prices of Cotton being rais'd Wherefore we thought it was better to allow them something more for good Cloth, than to receive what they brought in at the prices we at first agreed with them for; We should have far exceeded this Number of Bales as we had no Competitors (the French being quite still and the Dutch doing scarse any thing) could we have supply'd the Merchants according to their Desires, But the prodigious Expences we have been at lately kept us from making them any large advances as we are not certain how long it will be before we shall receive another supply and we are unwilling to leave Ourselves quite bare of Cash, As we have so many demands to answer. But as soon as any Ships arrive with us, we shall advance them largely.

We mention'd to your Honours in a former Letter that we had acquainted Mr. Lenox with what you had signified to us concerning him and that he purpos'd to return to Europe this Season, but he has lately requested of us that he might remain in India some time longer as having not been able to collect in his Effects and dispose of some others which from the expected peace, he has now the hopes of accomplishing, and as the representation made to your Honours was we are well persuaded without any foundation of Truth we believ'd therefore you would not disapprove of our gratifying Mr. Lenox in what he has desir'd.

Inclosd in this Packet we send your Honours an Account of the Expences of the Expedition against Pondicherry amounting to Pags: 94558. 19. 75 As also a List of Stores that were expended and thereby rendered useless which we wrote a Letter to General Boscawen and desir'd he woul'd reimburse us a Copy of his Answer thereto and what we wrote him on this Subject are also inclos'd.

Upon his representing to us also that the Subsistance Money granted by his Majesty to his Troops in Quarters was not near sufficient to maintain them in these parts where Provisions are so dear and delivering in at the same time a List of what further Allowance ℔ Month should be made [to] the several Officers and Private Men we accordingly granted the same as there was great discontent amongst them and inclos'd your Honours a Copy of the said List.

Since writeing the aforegoing arriv'd here your Honours Ships Porto Bello & True Briton [*a few words lost*] the latter and shall send her to take in the Pepper at Tellicherry, but should the Winchelsea come in before she sails we shall transport the Bales she brings to the True Briton and Porto Bello and dispatch her to Tellicherry for the reasons given in the first part of this letter.

We can't by this Ship comply with your Honours Orders in regard to sending you by every Conveyance an account of your quick Stock remaining upon hand, as we have not yet receiv'd those Accounts from the Subordinates but shall not fail so to do by the first Conveyance after we are furnish'd therewith.

The Diamonds register'd by this Ship amount to Pagodas One hundred thousand four hundred and seventy twenty one fanams and seventy three Cash 100470. 21. 73 and We are very respectfully

Fort St: David — Honourable

16 Janry. 1748/9. — Your faithful most Obedt: hum: Serts.

Charles Floyer.
Edward Croke.
Stringer Lawrence.
Richard Prince.
William Holt.
Alexander Wynch.
Foss Westcott.

Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones licenced by the President and Council of Fort St. David to be shipped the Lapwing Capn. Francis Cheyne in return for Corall &c.

			By Charles Floyer Esqr. consign'd to Jacob Salvadore or Order.			
B / F S	N 3	1	One bulse Diamonds in full returns for a chest of Coral Beads mark'd B / FS N°. 3 imported ⅌ Wager 1748	3866	18	.
			By Charles Floyer & Edward Croke Esqrs: to Lewis Mendes Junr. or Order.			
M / L I	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a chest of Corall Beads M / L I N 1 ⅌ Porto Bello 1748	562	.	.
			By Charles Floyer Esqr: to Mr. John Turner or Order.			
IT	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	1602	9	.
			By Moses Berend Heyman & Levy Moses to Benjamin Mendes Da Costa or Order.			
M	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Corall M N 1 1748	968	35	74
M / S B / F	3	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a chest of Coral M / S B / F N 3 ⅌ Wager 1748.	381	31	7
HR	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a chest of Coral HR N 1 ⅌ Marlbro 1746	1074	19	57
MB	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Corall M N 1 ⅌ Marlbro 1746	396	8	72

M S B F	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Coral M S B F N 2 ꝑ Colchester 1747	663	5	33
IBM	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Coral IBM N 1 ꝑ Colchester 1747	620	29	11
AC C	8	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral AC C N 8 ꝑ Colchester 1747	1378	19	15
			By Moses Berend Heyman to Mess[rs]: Steinman and Wilson or Order.			
SW	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Box of Jewels MBH N 1 ꝑ Princes Mary 1746	909	1	6[...]
			By Moses Berend Heyman to Messrs: Levy & Reuben Salomons or Order.			
MP	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	4254	.	.
CMH	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	1661	5	60
MBH	3	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	1200	.	.
LRS	1 & 2	2	Two Bulses Diamonds in part returns for four Chests of Silver LRS N 1 @ 4 ꝑ Ships Cæsar & Eastcourt 1747 ...	8109	6	13
			By Moses Berand Heyman to Henry Isaac or Order.			
HI	3 & 4	2	Two Bulses Diamonds in part returns for five chests of Silver HI N 1 @ 5 ꝑ ships Cæsar & Eastcourt 1747 ...	8229	29	55
			By Moses Berend Heyman Hendricks or Order.			
HH	N 5	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for 2 Chests Silver HH N 2 @ 3 ꝑ Ships Cæsar & Eastcourt 1747	665	.	.
			By Nicholas Morse Esqr. to Isaac De David Levy or Order.			
PL	1 & 2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for two Chests Silver P. L N 1 & 2 ꝑ Cæsar & Eastcourt 1747	2500	.	.
			By Nicholas Morse Esq[r]: to Nathan Salomons or Order.			
NS	1 & 2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for two Chests Silver NS N 1 & 2 ꝑ Eastcourt 1747	4400	8	40
			By Nicholas Morse Esq[r]: to Samuel Hart[o]g Levy or order.			
SH	1 & 2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for two Chests Silver SH N 1 & 2 ꝑ Eastcourt & Caesar 1747	1300	.	.

			By NICHOLAS MORSE Esqr. to JACOB SALVADORE or Order.			
FA	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for one chest Coral FA N 1 ℘ Marlbro 1746 ...	579	35	10
SB / C	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a chest of Coral SB / C N 2 ℘ Marlbrô 1746.	206	32	33
			By NICHOLAS MORSE Esqr. to HARTOG & DAVID LEVY or Order.			
SH / DL	1 & 2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for two chests Silver SH / DL N 1 & 2 ℘ Marlbrô & Salisbury 1746	1923	10	26
			By SOLOMON SALOMONS to Messrs: ABRAHAM and JACOB FRANCO or Order.			
⟨T⟩ AIF	13 & 14	2	Two Bulses Diamonds value 7251: 3: 51			
			In full returns for Chest of Coral Beeds ◇ N 131 ℘ Houghton	760	32	40
			In full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads ◇ N 133 ℘ Marlbrô 1746 ...	711	24	18
			In full returns for a chest of Coral Beeds A F I N 9 ℘ Houghton 1746 ...	1773	5	26
			In full returns for a Chest of Coral Beeds IMF N 24 ℘ Salisbury ...	1235	—	5
			In part returns for Chest of Coral Beeds MIF N 11 ℘ Salisbury	608	8	23
			In full returns for a Chest of Corol Beeds F I D N 29 ℘ salisbury	541	10	45
			There is included in these Bulses.	1620	30	54
			By SOLOMON SALOMONS to PHINEAS SERRA or Order.			
PS	4	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral Beeds PS N 2 ℘ Salisbury 1746	2478	22	22
			By SOLOMON SALOMONS to ISAAC DELMONTE or in his absence to JACOB PERREIRA or Order.			
ID	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Silver ID N 2 ℘ Eastcourt 1747	727	27	32
			By SOLOMON SALOMONS to AARON GOLDSMID or Order.			
SM / S	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver SM / S N 2 ℘ Cæsar 1747.	1957	3	4
			By SOLOMON SALOMONS to Messrs: HENRY & PETER MUILMAN & DAVID SALOMONS or Order.			

MS	3 & 4	2	Two Bulses Diamonds value ... ... Of which 5497 : 19 : 51 is in full returns for 2 Chests Silver MS N 3 & 4 ꝑ Wager 1748. By Solomon Salomons to Messrs: Aaron Franks & David Salomons or Order.	8246	11	37
$\overset{S}{\text{A F}}$	6 & 7	2	Two Bulses Diamonds value ... ... By Soromon Salomons to Napthali Franks or Order.	5538	27	73
NF	3	1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... By Solomon Salomons to Messrs. Abraham & Jacob Franco or Order.	1472	11	74
$\overset{F}{\text{A I}}$	4 & 5	2	Two Bulses Diamonds value	1930	31	77½
SF	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... By Solomon Salomons to Messrs. Joseph & David Franco or Order.	223	35	33½
$\overset{F}{\text{I D}}$	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... By Solomon Salomons to Moses D'e Jacob Franco or Order.	430	19	13
$\overset{F}{\text{M I}}$	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... By George Jones & Levy Moses to Assur Isaac Levy or order.	214	19	41
MP	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for two Chests Silver MP N 1 & 2 ꝑ Cæsar & Eastcourt 1748 ... ... By George Jones & Levy Moses to Messrs: John Goddard & Henry Moses or Order.	985	30	30
IH	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... By George Jones & Levy Moses to Messrs: Timothy Tullie & Henry Moses or Order.	2380	...	...
TT	4	1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... By George Jones & Levy Moses to John Goddard & Henry Moses or Order.	1137	18	...
M	13	1	One Bulse Diamonds value ... ... By Joseph Fowke to Benjamin Mendes or Order.	1312	18	...
✡	22	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads ✡ No. 22 ꝑ Marlbrō 1746	1583	17	67
Æ	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads ꝑ Brittania 1746. By Joseph Fowke & Nicholas Morse Esqr. to Benjamin Mendes or order.	960	...	56
(TB)	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Box of Coral Beads (TB) N 2 ꝑ Salisbury 1746	725	28	13
RE	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Silver ꝑ Eastcourt 1747 ... By Joseph Fowke to Abraham Da Fonsoca or Order.	1000	...	...

AA	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for the remains of a Box of Coral AA N 2 ⅌ Marlbro 1746	423	29	65
AA	3 & 4	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for two Chests of Coral AA N 3 & 4 ⅌ Eastcourt & Cæsar 1747	1000	...	...
			By JOSEPH FOWKE to JOSEPH MENDES SENR.			
IM	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads IM N 1 ⅌ Salisbury 1746	864	20	24
			By JOSEPH FOWKE to JOHN HORNE Esqr. or Order.			
ȣH	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	1008	20	44
			By Joseph Fowke to Jacob Salvadore.			
I F	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	5000	...	...
SB	6 & 7	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for the remains of a Box of Coral Beads SB N 6 & 7 ⅌ Brittania 1746 ...	270	18	38
			By NICHOLAS MORSE Esqr. & HENRY POWNEY to HERON POWNEY THOMAS HALL Esqr: & WILLIAM WOOD or order.			
HP N 1 & 2		2	Two Bulses of Diamonds value ...	2291	34	10
			By Ephraim Isaac to Henry Isaac or Order.			
EI	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	1570	21	50
		57	Bulses Amounting to Pagodas ...	100470	21	73

FORT ST. DAVID 16 JANRY 1748/9
CHARLES BOURCHIER *Secry.*

MANIFEST OF SUNDRIES PERMITTED BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID TO BE SHIPP'D ON BOARD THE LAPWING FOR PRESENTS VIZT.

By MR. JOHN ANDREWS

One Bundle directed for Messrs: Thomas and Nicholas Crispe Merchts in London containing Vizt.

Long Cloth ... 2 Peices.

By MR. HUGH NORRIS

One Bundle directed to Mr. Henry Norris Containing Vizt.

Dimmety ... 2 Peices.

By MR. WILLIAM SMYTH KING.

One Bundle directed to Mr. Florentia King conts. Vizt.

Long Cloth ... ... 1 Peice.
Moorees ... ... 6 Do.

FORT ST. DAVID 16 Janry 1748/9
CHARLES BOURCHIER
Secy.

LIST OF THE FORT S^{T}. DAVID PACKET FOR ENGLAND ℔ LAPWING DATED 16 JAÑRY 1748/9.

N 1. Fort S^{t}. David General Letter to the Hon̄ble Court of Directors ℔ Lapwing dated 16 Janry 1748/9

2. Duplicate d^{o}. ... ℔ Swift Snow dated 17th. } October 1748.
3. Triplicate d^{o}. ... ℔ Oxford 11 }

4. Register of Diamonds and Preceious Stones licenced by the President & Council of Fort S^{t}. David to be shipp'd on the Lapwing Cap^{n}. Francis Cheyne in return for Coral &c^{a}. amounting to Pagodas 100470 : 21 : 73.

5. Duplicate D^{o}. ℔ Swift Snow amounting to Pag^{s}. 65556 : 11 : 63.

6. Manifest of Sundries permitted by the President & Council of Fort S^{t}. David to be shipped on board the Lapwing for Presents.

7. Copy of a letter from the President & Council of Fort S^{t}. David to the Hon̄ble Edward Boscawen Esqr. dated 30 Novr. 1748.

8. Copy of a letter from the Hon̄ble Edward Boscawen Esq^{R}. to the President & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 5 December 1748.

9. Copy of a letter from the President & Council of Fort S^{t}. David to the Hon̄ble Edward Boscawen Esqr. dated 19 Decr. 1748.

10. List of Stores belonging to the Hon̄ble Company expended or renderd unfit for Service in the Expedition against Pondicherry.

11. List of Diet Money and allowances to be paid to His Majestys Troops in Fort S^{t}. David.

12. An Account of the Expence of the Expedition to Pondicherry.

FORT S^{T}. DAVID 16 Janry 1 [748/9]
CHARLES BOURCHIER
Sec^{ry}.

LETTER TO S^{T}. HELENA, DATED JANUARY 16, 1749 [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, p. 9.*]

TO THE WORSHIPFULL CHARLES HUTCHINSON ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF
S^{T}. HELENA

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRS

By our Hon̄ble Masters own Ship Lapwing We are now to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 26th. May 1747 by the way of Bencoolen and have order'd the Sundrys you requested to be got ready to be sent you by the next Conveyance that offers which will be the latter end of this Month as this Ship can take in only one Ton of Sugar, for which we now inclose You Invoice & Bill of Lading and are

FORT S^{T}. DAVID
16 JAÑRY 1748/9

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHARD PRINCE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEX^{R}. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

Letter to St. Helena, dated January 26, 1749 [*Public Despatches to England*, *Vol. 17*, *p. 10*].

To the Worshl. Charles Hutchinson Esqe.
Deputy Gove. &ca. Council of St. Helena

Worshe. Sir & Sirs

This serves only to enclose you Duplicate of our last and advice that we have laden on board the True Briton Sundry's for your place as ℘ Invoice ℘ Bill of Lading herewith

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Fort St. David — Your most humble Servants

26 Janry 1748/9 — Charles Floyer &ca. Council.

General Letter to the Company, dated February 22, 1749. [*Public Despatches to England*, *Vol. 17*, *p. 10—31*].

To the Honourable the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies.

Honourable

Since our last General advices to your Honours under the usual Heads by the Warwick We have address'd You by the following Conveyances Vizt. By the George Snow the 25 April By the Benjamin the 2d. September By the Oxford the 11 Octr. By the Swift Snow the 17 of the same month and by the Lapwing the 16 ultimo, Duplicates and Triplicates of most of which have also been transmitted You, And having now compleatly loaded your Ship Porto Bello we shall give You an Account of all transactions in your Affairs on this Coast for the last Year.

First Concerning Shipping

[Ltre] to England [. . .] Sepr.

2. We have already advis'd Your Honours of the Arrival of all your Ships here under the Convoy of Admiral Boscawen as also of the four ships design'd for China and of their Departure for that Place, We are therefore now to acquaint You that the 28 Ultimo imported here His Majestys Ship the Tartar as did Your Ship Pelham on the 3 Instant by these Conveyances We Receiv'd your Honrs. Letters of the 18th. May and 27 June and shall follow the Orders therein contained. The latter parted Company with the Sommerset the 15 December in a hard Gale of wind, and as we have not yet seen her here, We imagine she must be gone directly for Bengal, As most of the Squadron are now a refitting at Crankanella Bay. The Pelham is gone thither to deliver to them the Kings stores which she brought out, and after she has Clean'd which the Captain represented to be absolutely necessary, will return here again and wait till the proper Season for proceeding to China when we shall dispatch her thither agreeable to your Honours Directions.

Ltre to England 2 Sepr.

As also the two Ships that came out with Mr. Boscawen which will be deliver'd over to us by that time, but which cou'd not be done on his first arrival here as we have already inform'd your Honours.

3. On the Pelham arriv'd Mess Mandeville & Goodere Supracargoes of the Delawar at their desire the Factory Stores & presents design'd for Benjar were landed here, upon that Ships going to Crankanella Bay we had some design of sending the Supracargoes on this Ship to Benjar first with the presents design'd for the Sultan there But as their Instructions are to go thrō: the Streights of Balla, and not to stay there after the 20 June or the 30th. at farthest, We are inform'd it is not to be done and may endanger the loss of the Pelhams passage to China.

Ltre to England 16 Janry.

4. By the Lapwing we advis'd your Honours that our design was either to send the Winchelsea or Porto Bello & True Briton to be fill'd up on the Malabar Coast and intended it to be the former if she arrivd in time from the Northward as

we should have about Tonnage enough for the other two. But as she not being come the 23 ultimo, as the Season grew late to go round Ceyloan and to be dispatch'd from Tellicherry afterwards, we come to a Resolution of sending the True Briton thither, who accordingly sail'd the 27th. As by this we brought upon ourselves so much Tonnage more to compleat than we first expected, that we might in some measure fill up the same We pack'd all the Brown Cloth we had in the Warehouse and took in as much more as we could get that Measur'd Sixty nine Covids being sensible, that the advantage would be considerably greater to your Honours to have both Ships sent home though with the cloth uncur'd, than to have one Remain here upon Demorage and should have had near sufficient Tonnage for them including Salt Petre and Redwood But the Winchelsea who arriv'd here the 7th. last from Ingeram to our great surprize brought only 314 Bales of Calicoes from that place & Vizagapatam from whence we had good reason to expect we shoul'd have receiv'd Seven hundred and reckond upon that Number, but two hundred Bales that were sending from Ingeram Factory down the River in large boats had the misfortune to be so much wetted by the Rains that they were oblig'd to be return'd again And Although we gave your Honours hopes that we shou'd be able to send two Ships from hence, Several Accidents have happn'd to prevent it. The[y] being disappointed of so many Bales from the Northward and the Winchelsea's long Passage from Bengal are the Chief ones for had she arriv'd in time we could have sent the two small Ships home from hence and not to the Malabar Coast for Pepper. But we are now sorry to accquaint your Honours that finding our Tonnage fall so very short as 700 Bales and of them 442 are Brown we are under a necessity of keeping the Ship Winchelsea some time longer in India, and that she may not be unemploy'd we design to send her in a few days to Tillicherry to bring hither some Pepper and the Timber and Plank that is laying there and which we are much in want of for Making Gun Carriages, on her return which we hope will be some time in May we design to dispatch her home to you fully loaden with white Bales, and with the Pepper she may bring be enabled to send another of your Ships in September, as this seems to be what will turn out, most to your Honours advantage in the unhappy Situation Affairs are at present, we hope your Honours will approve thereof.

5. We beg leave to remark to your Honours that had the Gentlemen in Bengal comply'd with our request, of sending the Porto Bello to the Northward to take in the Bales there As by our Letter to them by the said Ship, and the President also lays before the Board two Letters he wrote to Mr. Barwell to the same purpose and desiring she might be dispatcht as soon as the Season would permit we should have had her early and sent the Winchelsea to Tellicherry instead of the True Briton when we cou'd have loaded home from hence.

6. The Oxford and Colchester both which Ships we have before acquainted Your Honours are sent to Tellicherry to take in their Loadings there, by the last advices recd from thence had been in sight of that Place three Days but a strong Current and the Wind against them prevented their getting into that Road. The rest of your Ships in these parts that came out with Mr. Boscawen are some at Crankanella Bay some at Galla having pass'd Crankanella by hard weather, And the Royal Duke & Elizabeth are now at Bombay to which place they were sent by the Admiral with His Majesty's Ships Exeter, Harwich & Eltham As have also the Royal George & Rhoda to Bengal for supplys for the Fleet, and by a Country Ship that arriv'd here a few days past we have recd information she met them going up the River the 22 ultimo. The Bombay Castle we wrote your Honours we Intended, we Dispatcht to the Bay the 1st. Octr. with a supply of Broad Cloth and Treasure where she arrivd in safety and we are by private advices inform'd is to be dispatch'd with the Exeter & Eastcourt to your Honours this Season: The Prince William not having been so long in India and they not furnish'd with a Loading for her we hear they Purpose to send her on a Country Voyage to Surrat and the Swallow Snow sail'd from thence the 22 November for England from Bombay we are advis'd that the Essex sail'd from thence the 6 of November, & that the Stretham would be dispatch'd directly from that Place.

Ltre to England 17 Octr.

Ltre to England 2 Septr.

Ltres recd N 4.

7. By private advices we hear the Oxford saild from Anjengo the 23 December but having sprung a Leak returnd there again the 1st. ultimo and was unloading and the Comm^{r}. was in hopes of getting away again by the 15th. The Dorrington was bound to Mocha and had taken in 300 Candys of Pepper as part of her Cargo for that place.

Cons 14 Sepr. 8. As the Princess Augusta was in want of some Repair we came to a Resolution of sending her to Bengal for that purpose and she saild the 30th. September where we are since inform'd she is arrivd, and we are now in daily expectation of seeing her here with a supply of Rice & Wheat.

Cons 8 Novr. 9. Your honours Snow the Brilliant being much out of Repair we have sent her to Bombay. and as Cap^{n}. Byers who had the Command of her died the 29th. October and none of her Officers had ever been on that side of India, we conferr'd the Command on M^{r}. Edward Burman First Lieutenant of the train of Artillerry here who is an able Seaman and had been often that way and was willing to accept of the same provided it would no ways Prejudice his Rank in the Train, which we agreed (Ltres recd No. 11.) it should not she saild for that place the 14 November, and by Letters Receiv'd from the President and Council we are inform'd of her arrival there the 2^{d}. ultimo. The Hawke Sloop built there for the Service of Bengal and only order'd to call here for any advices we might have to send by her, arriv'd here the 12 October and we Dispatch't her for that place the 23^{d}. But the Monsoon being set in very strong she was drove away to the Southward and having sprung her Mast put into Crankanella Bay which as soon as we were inform'd finding we should stand in need of the Pepper she had on board Consign'd to the President and Council of Bengall we took it out here and Dispatch'd her thither the 9th. Instant.

Secondly of Goods from Europe or from one part of India to be dispos'd of at another

10. As the Tartar, came here without first proceeding to the Bay Cap^{n}. Brett having heard at Atcheen that the Admiral was here and we knowing the Great advantage Your Honours would reap, by having the Treasure she brought out coined here, We therefore made application to the Admiral, to have the same landed which (Cons 30 Janry.) was accordingly done and we are now Coining it as also what was receiv'd by the Pelham into Rupees with all Expedition Possible, and as Conveyances offer shall forward great part of the same to the Bay, Upon receipt of this supply we sent a few days past 15 Chests of Rupees on the Hawke Sloop and thirty more by two Country Ships which will serve them a little while till we can get some more finishd.

Of the Treasure We receivd from your Honour last year we sent them One hundred & Ninety Chests of Rupees which was as much as we could possibly spare having so many Demands upon us for that article, and when the Tarter & Pelham arrived we had but little remaining here But however as Your Honours orders are for us to keep none without the most urgent necessitys we shall therefore detain only as much as we have absolute need of.

Cons 14 Sepr. The Broad Cloth that came out by the Hardwick and orderd by your Honours to be sent to the Bay we forwarded thither by your Ship Bombay Castle, What we (Cons 11 April.) had here, upon our Merchants requesting to be indulg'd with a part thereof at making their Contract as it was usual at Madrass we consented thereto, but sometime (Cons 14 Sep^{r}.) afterwards they begg'd to be excus'd from having it which as Linga Chittee at the same time made an Offer to take all that we had on the same terms he did last Year and to pay the amount within the twelve Month we agreed to deliver it to him.

Cons 30 June 11. Having receivd such large supplys of Lead and Iron by the Ships that came out with Admiral Boscawen we forwarded by every Conveyance afterwards that went to the Bay large Quantitys thereof and upon Cap^{n}. Dauvergnes request (Cons 19 July.) for Fifty Tons of the former to stiffin his ship which was become to light for the Sea when she had deliverd the Kings stores we granted it him, But could not comply with that of Cap^{n}. Hindman who desird the same as we had but a small Quantity then remaining in Store As it was inconvenient to us to land what was brought out by the several Ships of that Article as also Iron we have let the same Continue on board

of most of them, which we shall not fail to land as soon as they return here, as also the Madeira Wine which some of them have not yet deliver'd and which coul'd not be sent for ashore before they sail'd from hence what has been receiv'd we have dispos'd of @ 50 Pags. ℔ pipe, As yet we have recd no advice of the Fort St. George a Country Ship on board of whom we acquainted your Honours the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam put twenty pipes of the Oxfords Madeira wine, and who bore away to the Eastward on being chas'd off Madrass by one of his Majesty's Ships imagining her to be an Enemy therefore we fear she is either lost or taken. Ltres to England 13 Feby.

12. Capn. Samson of the Hardwick delivering one Bale of the Broad Cloth short of the Quantity mention'd in his Ships Invoice, His Reasons for the same were demanded to which he reply'd that he had returnd that Bale in England, upon its being Damaged and did not stay long enough after to have another in the room thereof upon which we have Debted Account Current London for the same. Cons 14 July.

13. Of the Broad Cloth rec'd by the Porto Bello several of the Bales appearing damaged on the outside we orderd a survey on it and some Peices thereof being found so As Capn. Fisher desird to have them and he would pay for them as specified in his Charter Party we accordingly deliverd the same to him. Cons 25 July. Cons 30 July.

14. The supply of seventy five Barels of Gunpowder which Your Honours sent out on Ships Porto Bello, True Briton, & Prince William As there was a likelihood we shoul'd soon be in want thereof we landed it here but it proving excessively bad we were oblig'd to have it made over again, We demanded the Commanders reasons for its being so, to which they reply'd it was put on Board them in that condition and the Officers of our Train who survey'd it and tryed it being of the same Opinion we therefore must leave it to Your Honours to get satisfaction from the Persons who put it up as it appears it came so from them. Cons 12 April.

15. Upon Capn. Fishers representation to us that he should be glad of the Pepper we took out of the Hawke Sloop to shoot amongst his Bales which would also be of great Service in stiffning his Ship who requir'd it as the season would be late for his going round the Cape we therefore accordingly let him have it, And having since requested of us to take out some of his Salt Petre as he has more on board than his Charter Party Tonnage finding the same to be twelve Tons we gave him Permission for so doing but that Quantity stowing where nothing else will, if we will give him leave to take out no more He desires that may continue on board which we have agreed to, and have accquainted him that the same is to be reckon'd at half Freight only. Cons 26 Janry.

16. We shall observe Your Honours directions under the 27 June concerning the delivery of the Broad Cloth for Cloathing the Military. Cons 9 March.

17. We accquainted your Honours by the Warwick of the Quantity of Redwood we had contracted for and that it was lying ready at Dourassapatam for any Conveyance might send for it which as the Winchelsea missd that Port in going to the Bay whom we orderd to take it in part of it is still lying there, thô soon expected here, but however as we sent some by the Bombay Castle and two or three Country Ships to Bengall we hope the Gentlemen there will not be in want by this accident of that Comodity to load on board the Ships they purpose to dispatch Home this Season. Ltre to England 13 Febry.

18. By the Warwick your Honours were also acquainted of the Loss there was on the Cargoes of Rice sent us that year from Bengal and we are sorry to accquaint you there will a very great one Arise on what we have lately rec'd from the Gentlemen there as both the Rice and Wheat they have sent us are not only extreamly bad but very deficient in the Weight The reasons of which we have demanded of the several Commanders who all say they Rec'd it in the same condition they deliverd it to us, of which we shall as soon as we have dispatch'd this Ship accquaint the Gentlemen in Bengal that they may make proper enquiry into this Affair & prevent our being servd so in future.

19. Upon delivering 30 of the Chests of Silver recd by the Tarter to be coind into Rupees, We recd a report from Linga Chitty who now has the care of the Mint that the Dollars are of a new sort and a much lower touch than usual being four Cons 6 Febry.

Penny, w^{t}. worse than Standard, and what we have since receivd by the Pelham he tells us are the same, upon which we have taken 100 out of the ten Chests and now send your Honours twenty five in this Ships Packet to be assay'd in England as we shall the same number by the next Conveyance and understanding there is an Assay Master at Bombay shall forward theither 2[5] more and the remainder shall be kept here as Linga Chittee has offerd to take the same and will give us an obligation to abide by what finess they shall prove to be of in England we have agreed to deliver him the whole at the touch he reports them to be of as our present need of Cash will not permit us to keep them till we receive your answer Concerning their finess.

20. Our several Indents for Wares and stores come in this Ships Packet, and having sent home three Copys of what we are in want off for the Mint is the reason We send no Assay Masters indent now hoping your Honours have sent us supplys thereof by the Shipping expected here this Season.

Thirdly touching the Investment

Ltre to England 25 April.

21. By the George Snow your Honours were accquainted, that as soon as your Commands came to our hands for setting about an Investment and we receivd a supply of Treasure By the Porto Bello Prince William and True Briton that we immediately sent for the Merchants and contracted with them for the same, And by the several Conveyances since we have inform'd You of the Steps that we have taken therein. We are now therefore to Acquaint You that the Number of Bales we have provided here, including what sent on the Benjamin and Oxford Amounts to 2103. Which we could have greatly increas'd had the Demands upon us for money not been so great that we might have supply'd the Merchants plentifully therewith But that could not possibly be done when we had Fortifications carrying on and so many other calls to answer.

Ltres rec̃d N°. 82

22. From the advices we had of Affairs to the Northward we were in great hopes that there would have been a flourishing Investment in those parts and as we have already said that by this time their Merchants would have brought in near Seven hundred Bales besides the 76 sent on the Exeter from Vizagapatam to Bengal as we took care to keep them well supply'd with Money but from the late disturbances there occasiond by the Nabob & Rajahs being at variance they have been able to gett no more than five hundred and fourteen, Two hundred of which as mentiond before were so much wetted that they were oblig'd to be return'd back again, But by the letters we have rec̃d from thence By the Winchelsea we have hopes of doing something more considerable this Year to set about which We shall by the next Conveyance agreeable to the Desire of the Gentlemen there send them a supply of money and shoul'd we be plentifully furnishd with that Article we doubt not of giving your honours an Account that we have met with good success therein, also at this place as we have now a pretty good prospect of getting a good Quantity of Cloth.

23. Of the Bales loaded on board on board Ship Porto Bello, Your Honours will find two hundred Brown Cloth, these were sent on board her at first as we had then hopes of sending to You the Winchelsea, but since that disappointment we have talk'd with Cap^{n}. Fisher about taking them out and putting white Bales in the room of them which he reports cannot be done under many days, but as the Season now begins to grow late we do not think it proper to detain her on that Account which we hope will meet with y^{r}. Hon^{rs}. Approbation.

Ltre to England 26 Sep^{r}.

24. By the George Snow your Honours were acquainted with the Inconveniences we labourd under for curing y^{e}. Cloth, which with an unusual Quantity of Rain in the month of December as also Cloudy weather in the begining of January has been the reason why we have been able to cure so little of it, though hope to send you none but what is so in future as our utmost endeavours to gett more Washers shall not be wanting.

Cons̃ 4 July

25. In obedience to Your Honours orders to send for the Madrass Merchants to come and settle their Accounts the President wrote to them accordingly & from several rec̃d Answers that they were coming But as we have not yet seen them we

fear it will be some time first, though as there is now a prospect of a peace, when nothing will be apprehended from the French there is a likelyhood of their coming as our neighbourhood to that Nation by whom they sufferd so much at Madrass, and are not yet reconcil'd to them has been the cause as we are inform'd of their staying so long in the Country.

26. The Ballance due from our old Merchants are now all paid, though it was but lately that they cleard them, and had we not press'd them very often they would have evaded doing it now But we told them your honours were resolv'd to have it and therefore we woul'd not be put of any longer. Upon which they discharg'd the same.

Fourthly of Country Government

27. By the Benjamin your honours were advis'd of Our having made up the Cons
Account of the present to Nazir Jing and that the same amounted to 20518. 4. 77 23d. May
The particulars of which are enterd on our Consultations.

28. Since when hearing of the Nabobs Arrival at Porto Novo we ordered ano- Cons 28 Sepr
ther to be got ready to send him as usual upon his coming so near us to the Amout of about one Thousand Pagodas but as he made a very short stay there we sav'd your Honours that Expence.

29. At present the Country continues in great Tranquility and as we have lately stood in need of no Assistance from the Nabob or people belonging to it, we have had little Correspondence with them therefore have nothing more to offer to your Honours under this Head.

Fifthly of Fortifications Buildings, Repairs & Revenues

30. In our letter of the 13 February 1747/8 We acquainted your Honours the State of our works then on Hand and were in hopes by this time to have had the satisfaction of acquainting You with the whole being compleated agreeable to our former plan, but as Admiral Boscawens arrival in July occasiond all our Labourers and Cooleys imploy'd on the Works to be taken off in order to assist the transporting the Amunition and other things necessary for the Seige of Pondicherry to which we may add the want of Materials though the long absence of these People and the Monsoon setting in at their Return (during which no work of the kind could possibly be undertaken) have been so many Impediments to the Business that it was impossible to have it in greater forwardness than it is, but we now beg leave to assure your Honours that we shall make all the Dispatch we possibly can and hope to be able to finish the Horn Work, the Lunettes to the Eastward & Westward together with the Glacees and what was began at Cuddalore by the Month of May or June provided materials are not wanting.

31. As the South side of the Fort next the River is thought to be very weake and Defenceless Capn. Delavaux has deliverd us the Plan of an additional Work which he judges necessary in order to strengthen the same and as it has been approv'd of by the Governour and Major Lawrence we purpose to put it in execution, so soon as we have finish'd the Works we are now about and by the Plan of the Fort which we send Your Honours by this Ship You will be able to jud[g]e of the usefullness thereof.

32. As to what additions and alterations have been made in our Works since our last General address by the Warwick we take the Liberty to refer your Honours to the Presidents Letter to the Secret Committee for the Particulars thereof.

33. As the want of Godowns to keep the Cloth in whilst it is whitening has occasion'd considerable Quantitys to be eaten by Rats and white Ants we have thought proper to build one with Brick near Bandipollam washing place for that purpose and hope your Honours will approve thereof.

34. As the Horses for the Troop came in from the Country finding it absolutely Cons
necessary to build Stables for them we immediately set about a range thereof which 18 April
are now near finish'd and will contain 110 Horses.

Cons 29 April — 35. Upon the Paymasters laying before us the account of the Houses that were pull'd down in Tevenapatam and the Colloway agreeable to the resolution off a Council of War, and what it would cost rebuilding them again, The whole amounts to Pag$^{s.}$ 13581. 25. 16 we deliverd to Messrs. Croke & Wynch whom we appointed a Committee for seeing the same paid.

Cons 13 June — 36. Upon the Cowle for the Bounds Rent expiring the 1st. July the Renter deliverd us a Petition requesting to have it renewed to him on the same terms but as the Income thereof is become more considerable from the number of Inhabitants that have resorted here lately, insomuch that we were offerd 4000 Pag^{s}. ℔ Ann: for it, as it has been so long rented by his family we chose to let him have the preference if he would give us as much, which he agreeing to we granted him a Cowle for five Years.

Cons 25 July — 37. All the other Farms continue as when last addressd Your Honours except that for selling Arrack The Rent of which we have been oblig'd to take off for some time having prohibited the selling any Spiritous Liquors within the Bounds upon the Majors Representation, that the retailing of them was the occasion of so much disorder among the Military therefore we thought it proper to submitt to so small a diminution of your Revenues than to keep them up when attended with such ill conveniences.

Cons 28 July — 38. The inland Duty on Grain we also took off when the Army set out for Pondicherry to encourage People to bring in large Quantitys of it for the supplying the same. But since its return we have put it on again.

39. The Engineers Estimate of the projected Works to the Southward comes inclos'd.

Sixthly of Factors, Writers, Military Officers and their Accounts

Ltre to England 17 Oct^{r}. — 40. Your Honours have already been advis'd of Messrs. Prince & Wascotts arrival here and taking their Seats at the Board as also how we had fill'd up their places to the Northward with them came M^{r}. Robert Turing your Surgeon at Vizagapatam whom we orderd up hither to assist M^{r}. Belsches in the Business of the Hospital which being greatly encreas'd of late was too much for one Person to go through with. And as there were always two of that Profession at Madrass and M^{r}. Turing having been many Years in your Service we have thought proper to appoint him Second Surgeon of this Place which we hope will meet with your Honours Concurrence as we cannot but Esteem him a Person highly deserving of your favours.

Ltre to England 25 April; Cons 11 Oct^{r}.; Cons 28 Nov^{r}. — 41. By the George Snow we acquainted Your Honours that agreeable to your permission we had entertaind Messrs. Matthew Empson, William Smyth King, Hugh Morris and John Trenwith in your service, and given them the same standing they were in at Madrass. Since when having been apply'd to by Messrs. Richard Starke and John Pybus for the like favour we have accordingly granted it them, the former having been upper searcher at Madrass, as we were in want of a Person to act in that Station at Cuddalore we accordingly appointed him to the same and the latter to be Sub Secretary as he is very well acquainted with the Business of that Office, Messrs. Richard Fairfield and John Starke who came out Writers in your service for Madrass but as that place was taken, continued at Bengall. Upon our being in want of assistants and desiring the Gentlemen there to order them thither they immediately came and are now both in the Secretarys Office.

Cons 14 Nov^{r}. — 42. M^{r}. Thomas Heath who came out with Cap^{n}. Delavaux and orderd by your Honours to be brought up under him an Engineer. Upon that Gentlemans representing to us that he had no turn for that Employment we put him under the Accomptant in whose Office he assists at present.

Cons 31 Dec^{r}. — 43. Upon M^{r}. Foxalls Death as M^{r}. William Holt offerd his Service to Inspect the Mint we accordingly Entrusted him with the care thereof and appointed him half the Salary which Your Honours were pleasd to allow M^{r}. Foxall, But he has

since acquainted Us that he does not chuse to receive any thing under the whole Salary which we did not think him entitled to, as he understands nothing of the Assay Business, therefore he has at present no allowance for his employment as Assay Master.

44. Mr. Thomas Cooke upon Resigning his Employ of Storekeeper to Mr. Westcott in October and having requested our Permission to go to Bengall for a short time as his Affairs there were in such a Situation as to require his presence and promissing to return again by the first Conveyance in December, having no Business of any great importance for him to do here, we accordingly comply'd with his Request upon which he proceeded thither and return'd here again a few days past. Cons 16 Octr.

45. Mr. Richard Rider who was appointed by your Honours one of your Chaplains at Madrass and as we advis'd You upon hearing of that place being taken stay'd at Fort Marlbrô when the Princess Augusta returnd hither he took his passage on that Ship but during her stay at Batavia died there, so that we have but one Chaplain here at present.

46. Two Widows, namely Phebe Graham & Elizabeth Smith having petition'd Us to grant them some allowance to subsist on, being in Necessitous circumstances, As their Husbands were both in your service and in pretty high Stations We have allow'd them 8 Pagodas ℔ Month each, which we hope will not be displeasing to your Honours. Cons 5 May.

47. Mr. Charles Nicholls who Resided at Negapatam for the Conveniency of procuring Intelligence, Died there, in July last whose place was supply'd by one Mr. Peter St. Paul a Person very well acquainted with several Languages and therefore thought very fitt for that Station in July also Died Mr. John Savage one of the late Council of Madrass. Ltre to England 17 Octr.

48. Upon the arrival here of Capn. Delavaux The Charge of the Train as well as of the Fortifications were deliverd over to him by Mr. George Jones who having no Employment here to detain him, went soon after to Tranquebar [w]here he is at present. Cons 8 June.

49. When the forces first set out for Pondicherry Upon the Majors representing to us that there was not a sufficient number of Officers to your Honours Troops and General Boscawen recommending for Ensigns two Persons that came out with him as Volunteers Namely Thomas Greenville and Allen Stewart Commissions were accordingly Given them which the latter has since laid down Agreeable to the Permission granted us by Your Honours to give Capns. Commission to the Lieutenants, We accordingly promoted them to that Rank, and as thereby there was a Lieutenant wanted to the Majors Company and He recommending it to us to give a Commission for the same to Ensign Scrimsour as an Encouragement for his Behaviour when the Enemy attackt Cuddalore it was accordingly done & in his room Mr. Benjamin Pigou was made an Ensign, As the private Men that were in Cuddalore when it was attackt by the Enemy, all behaved very well and it was probable we should soon after have an occasion to try them again to encourage them to act in like manner we made them a present of a couple of Shirts each, and no fault having been found with the Seapoys that were there, to the Heads of them we presented a few Yards of Broad Cloth and to their people to the value of a Rupee each in a Turband or Sash. Cons 28 July. Cons 28 June. Cons 28 June. Cons 28 June.

50. We have already advis'd Your Honours of Capn. Morgan's resigning his Commission upon Account of Age and Infirmity's at his request to have something more than the half pay allowd him, as he had now nothing left for his family to subsist on, which was very large, but what we shoul'd be pleasd to give him in Consideration thereof and the many Years he has been in your Honours Service we have for the present allow'd him a Pension of 25 Pags. ℔ Month and shall continue it till we know wether it meets with Your Honours approbation. As the General was pleas'd to recommend Mr. William Henry Southby for the Vacansy made by Capn. Morgan we accordingly as Your Honours have been acquainted gave him a Commission for the same and by Capn. Gingin's being remov'd to the Horse gave his Compy to Lieutenant Scrimsour as being the next Eldest Officer and made Ltre to England 26 Janry. Cons 11 Octr. Cons 24 Octr. Ltre to England 16 Janry.

Mr. James Cope a Lieutenant in his room as an Encouragement for his trouble in training the Military, whom we have also since promoted to be Capn. Lieutenant upon the Major's Recommendation and telling us it was always usual to have one of that Rank to the first Company, Upon the setting out of the Forces for Pondicherry, as none of the Officers of his Majestys Train bore Commission[s] under Lieutenants, that ours might rank with them we gave them Commissions to act as such, and whilst the Forces were before Pondicherry the General having wrote the President that your Honours Battalion, had not Officers enough belonging to it to act the Duty requir'd there, and recommending some of his Voluntiers to be made such Commissions were granted to the following Persons vizt. John Grant, William Boyde, Matthew Samson, Samuel Samson and John Innis to act as Ensigns and Samuel Worral as Cornett of the Troope of Horse; Of which Mr. William Boyde & Matthew Samson have since desird leave to Resign and one Mr. William Gordon recommended by the General and Peter Nost who belong'd to His Majestys Train have supplyd their Places.

Cons 31 August.

51. Messrs. Lawrence Donaldson and John Brooks who came out with Major Lawrence and Mr. William De Morgan all three Ensigns Died here last year and the former having left some Effects the same were sold at outcry and the Major has paid into your Cash here the Ballance of his Estate amounting to Pags. 26–2–40.

Cons 18 April.

52. Upon Mr. Princes recommendation of Ensign Love who Commands the Military at Vizagapatam for a Lieutenants Commission, as that was always a Lieutenants Command till the Gentlemen at Madrass sent Mr. Love thither and he being the Eldest Ensign we have promoted him to that rank.

Ltre to England 25 April.

53. Of our having raisd a Troop of Horse in your honours Service You have already been acquainted with And we must now assure you that we find it of Infinite service as it is to be relied on which cannot be said of any Peons that can be hir'd, and the number of them that were oblig'd to keep before (the Expences of which will fully Discharge that of the Troop) we shall shortly Dismiss as we have found them of very little Service on the Late Expedition, and had we been without the Troope we should have labour'd under great inconveniencys, which will in case of any Stoppages of Goods going or coming from the Country, soon remove the Cause and more expeditiously than any Peons. Therefore we hope Your Honours will think proper to continue the same. General Boscawen is of opinion also that the continuing the same will be more for your Interest than a Number of Peons (which must be done if the Troop is abolish'd) having but a very mean opinion of those People from what he saw of them on the Expedition, He has also been so kind as to give us his advice concerning the Establishment there of which we have followed as Your Honours will Observe by our Consultations. The Cost of the Horses that have been bought for the same Amounts to Nineteen thousand four hundred and twelve Pagodas six fanams & fifty five Cash 19412–6–55.

Cons 24 Octr.

54. Three of the Military that were unfit for any Duty and must have been put upon the List of Invalids, where they woul'd have been an Expence to your Honours, which might have continued many years, they being all young and two of them were Cripples when they first Enter'd the Service, we therefore sent them on the True Britton as Charter Party Passengers their names were Tilly Tox & Price.

Cons 26 Janry.

55. The Military regulations recd from Your Honours by the Pelham, shall as soon as we have dispatchd this Ship be put in Execution as near as possible and we shall have Satisfaction to acquaint your Honours that by your having so capable a Gentleman as Major Lawrence at the head of your Military Affairs there are few of those Regulations but what he has already put in Execution.

Seventhly of Accounts

Cons 4 August.

56. Upon Capn. Peytons arrival here agreeable to what we wrote Your Honours we sent him a Letter and at the same time the Accounts in our possession depending with the Squadron when under Mr. Barnett and his Command and desir'd

the same might be settled and Certified by him to which he Return'd us for Answer that, as those accounts were all in M^{r}. Barnetts time He could not charge himself with them. And as to the Madrass Accounts, if M^{r}. Morse could produce either M^{r}. Barnetts or his Orders for purchasing Provisions of any kind for His Majestys Squadron and that they were actually in the Godowns when the Place was taken and woul'd send those Orders & Vouchers Home to the Victualling Board would allow them on his Account This was all the Satisfaction we could get from M^{r}. Peyton in regard to those Accounts, And as there is now no Method left for us to get them settled and certified here we have stated such of them as we have been able to get from M^{r}. Morse, (thô many are still at Tranquebar, not being yet Drawn out) in as clear a manner as we can, and have sent them in this Ships Packet with the Paper apart and the rest will follow by the Winchelsea. Amongst them is a Bill drawn by Lord Thomas Bertie on Commodore Barnett from Bombay for Rupees 5571.—·62. He recd from the President and Council there, which we tendered to him here for Payment but as the whole was not on Acco^{t}. of his Ship He desird the same might be sent to your Honours and he would see that it was Discharg'd in England. Cons 17 August.

57. Cap^{n}. George Cuming having applied to us for the Amount of the Silver He paid into your Cash in England, Agreeable to your Honours Directions we deliverd him the same. Cons 11 Oct^{r}.

58. The Account of your Honours Quick Stock at this Settlement we now transmitt you in this Packet by this Ship, but of what is at the Subordinates must defer till another opportunity for the Reasons mention'd in our Letter by the Lapwing.

59. In the month of August the President and Council of Bombay transmitted to us a Bond pass'd to them by Coja Shawmere (Son of Coja Sultan David late Inhabitant of Madrass but now residing at Pondicherry) for the Sum of Rupees 8580–1–36 which he gave them in part payment of Bills drawn by his Mother at Ispahaun on her Husband Sultan David which Bond they desird Us to receive the Amount of and then deliver up They also acquainted us that they had attach'd the Sum of 20,000 Rupees (belonging to the aforesaid Coja Sultan David lying in the hands of Govr. Wake) by way of security for the remainder of the said Bills, which attachment if he agreed to, then we were to deliver him a Release, Sign'd by the President & Council of Bombay and the Original Bills both which were transmitted us for that purpose. But in case he contested the said attachment then we were only directed to Endorse on the said Bills the Amount of the Bond given them by Shawmere. In Consequence of which on Shawmeres arrival here a few days after, the said Bond was tender'd to him for payment. But not having wherewithall to discharge it he requested permission to write to his Father for that purpose which was allow'd him, but he neither being furnish'd with ready Cash sufficient desir'd the Amount of the said Bond might be endors'd on the Bonds given him by the late President and Council of Fort S^{t}. George for Money he lent the Company there (as part payment thereof) which we consented thereto and as soon as the Bonds arrive from Pulliacat where they now are, shall see it done and have in the Interim taken Shawmeres Receipt for the said sum Shawmere having also acquainted us that his Father would allow the aforesaid 20,000 Rup^{s}. in Governour Wakes hands on the account of Ispahaun Bills, and M^{r}. Morse informing us that the Honourable Company are indebted to him more than that Amount of the said Bill exclusive of the aforesaid 20,000 Rupees. We thought it but reasonable to deliver him up the President and Council of Bombays Release which was accordingly done. Ltre recd. N 66. Cons 20 August. Cons 3 October.

60. The Ingeram Books not being come to hand the 16 ultimo as it was so nigh the Departure of the Ships we were oblig'd to close our General Books without them. But have since recd them by the Winchelsea. Cons 26 Janry.

Eighthly of the West Coast

61. Our last Advices from thence being of so old a Date as the 10th. Aprill we shall not presume at present to give your Honours an Account of the Situation of Affairs there as You must have had them much later by the Grantham & Benjamin.

Cons 12 Decemr.

62. As the Success Galley a Country Ship was bound to Batavia and design'd to touch at Fort Marlbrô was opened your Honours Letters of the 10 of May to the Deputy Governour and Council there, recd overland and sent a Coppy of it by here as we shall the Original by the next Conveyance, as also that recd from your Honours by the Tarter.

63. The usual Supplys of the Rice &ca. for that place, which we are in da[i]ly expectation of receiving from Bengal we shall send by the first Conveyance after their arrival here that is bound thither.

NINTHLY TOUCHING THE CHARTER

64. We have nothing to advise Your Honours of under this Head but what we mentiond in our Letter by the Lapwing to which we beg leave to reffer you.

TENTHLY CONCERNING THE FRENCH AND OTHER EUROPEAN NATIONS IN INDIA

65. On the 23 ultimo arrivd at Madrass seven sail of French Ships who landed there a great number of sick people and from the Intelligence We have receiv'd we imagine they must be come from the Islands in their way they met with a Dutch Ship from Japan bound for this Coast whom they took and sent to the Islands and not knowing of the Cessation of Arms off Puliacat meeting with one of our Country Ships from this Place bound for Bengall, they carried her into Madrass, but soon after let her go, On the 29th. they came to Pondicherry and the 11 Inst. one of them saild from thence to Bengal, The 11 Instant two more from France it's said arriv'd there and have brought a large Quantity of Treasure as well as many men but of the truth of this we cannot be certain as our Intelligence is not all together to be depended upon. Five of them are now under sail to the Eastward and its said are bound to France.

66. The Declaration Your Honours have orderd us to Publish in Regard to the Dutch We have had drawn Out and the same is now translating into the several Languages, which when finishd According to your directions We shall fix at every Gate here and shall order the same to be done at all Subordinates

ELEVENTHLY CONCERNING HIS BRITANNICK MAJESTYS FORCES BOTH BY LAND & SEA

Ltre to England 5 Sepr. Cons. 24 June.

67. Your Honours were advis'd by the Benjamin of a French Squadrons passing this Place in the Month of June which proceeded to Madrass, wither Mr. Griffin went in pursuit of them, but they were saild before he got there. On his return hither he wrote us a Letter congratulating Us on our Success against the Enemy when they attackt Cuddalore and desiring we would send him an Account of the State of our Garrison as also if we thou[gh]t overselves of sufficient Strength to defend the Fort & bounds against the Enemy that he might lay the same before a Council for their Oppinions wether it might not be proper to go in quest of the Enemys Squadron upon which Major Lawrence and Capn. Delavaux being the properest Persons to Consult in regard of what Mr. Graffin requested of us were ask'd their opinions of the same, which they deliverd us in writing and which with an Account of the State of the Garrison & a Letter from us was transmitted him,

Cons 26 June.

Two days after we receive from him another Letter accquainting us that He had laid ours with the Papers we sent him at the same time before a Council who were unanimously of Opinion that the Companys Ships serving in the Squadron should be deliverd up to us as also such of our Men as were on board his Majestys Ships and dessiring we would give him our direct Answer Whither with our Military and the men we might take out of those of the Companys we could defend the Fort and its dependances against any attempt of the Enemy if so they were determind to go in Quest of the Enemys Squadron. Whereupon Major Lawrence & Capn. Delavaux were again askd their Opinions of this Affair, which they gave us in a Letter and which with one from overselves we transmitted him. But he sent Us no Reply thereto and remaind here till the 16 August when he saild for Trincomoly and from thence for Europe the 16 ultimo, before he left this place the Preston being Condemn'd as unfitt to proceed to Europe He made us an Offer to let the Company have her Guns which we accepted being in great want thereof as most that we have upon

our Works are quite Honeycomb'd and he accordingly deliverd them to us, for which and their Appurtenances we gave him a Receipt where we made the Honble Company to be accountable to the Office of Ordnance for them The Medway having been survey'd at Trincomally and found in so bad a Condition to proceed to Europe was condemn'd also. And Admiral Boscawen has promis'd to let us have her Guns which are daily expected from thence, and what we are in much want of for our New Fortifications.

68. His Majestys Ship the Medways Prize having on a Cruize met with a Ship from Persia name'd S^ra^. Catharinha, on board of whom was a French Commander she was accordingly brought in here the 1st. May and examin'd and from many Circumstances it was pretty plainly provd she belong'd to the Enemy, whereupon she was accordingly Sold with her Cargoe soon after which Coja Petrus Uscan an Eminent Armenian Merchant late of Madrass wrote us a Letter from Pulicat informing us that she was not a Lawfull Prize but belongd to several Armenian Portugueze and Moors Merchants the latter of which should they complain to the Country Powers would in all probabillity occasion the Honble Companys Investment to be stopp'd, which he thought it his Duty to impart to us, and hope we shoul'd take the same into consideration and not imagine, He did it on account of the concern he had in her. But the regard he had for the Honble Company, As we had sometime before resolvd not to intermeddle with any Affairs relating to the Squadron, We wrote the same to Coja Petrus Uscan for answer And in a short time after reĉd another Letter from him accquainting us that we had satisfied him the above affair was quite foreign to us Therefore as nothing could be done in Regard thereto in this part of the World desir'd we would represent it to your Honours which is the reason of our being so particular on this Subject.

Ltres recd. N 51.

Coñs 8 June

Ltres recd N 63.

69. Besides the S^ra^. Catharina there was another Ship met with by the Benjamin when under the Admirals Direction loaded with Grain from Balasore which as she was going into Madrass and had a French Mustee for the Commander the said Cargoe was judg'd a proper Prize and was accordingly sold here. But the ship was releas'd upon whose return to Balasore the Owners of her made a Complaint to the Country Government of the treatment they had receiv'd and Who we hear have impeded Your Honours Affairs there till the amount of the said Cargoe is made good to the Owners. In Consequence of which the President & Council of Fort William have wrote to us desiring we would enquire into the affair and get Justice done to your Honours but as this happen'd when Cap^n^. Meard was in His Majestys Service who is since gone for Europe it is impossible for us now to get any Satisfaction here.

Ltres recd N 103.

70. The Bombay Castle in her way to Negapatam after she was discharg'd from his Majestys Service having met with a Ship from Judda, Commanded by a Frenchman Cap^n^. Brown by virtue of his Letter of Mark brought her in here and having been examin'd by M^r^. Brett Admiral Boscawens Secretary who has a proper power for that Purpose, she was judg'd to be a Prize and accordingly with her Cargoe Sold, But as she must be legaly condemnd in England where she may appear to be no Prize (thô there is not much probabillity of it) Yet as in such case her Owners may Demand the Value of her Of some of your Ajents in India) as she was taken by one of your Ships and upon being denied payment Occasion the Country Government to obstruct your honours trade in land, The President thought proper to desire of M^r^. Alexander Mackpherson Naval Storekeeper to Admiral Boscawens Fleet and Agent for the Captors that the Amount of her might be deposited in your Honours Cash here for to be deliver'd either to the owners or Captors as she should be judg'd a Prize or not. But he will not come to any such agreement. Therefore we must leave it to your Honours to take such security of Cap^n^. Brown and his Officers for refunding the same in case of need as you may think Necessary.

71. Last Year when his Majestys Ships Exeter and Winchester went round to the Malabar Coast Cap^n^. Pawlet on his arrival at Tellicherry being in want of Fresh Provisions for his People and other necessarys, applied to the chief, & Factors there for the same who accordingly supply'd him therewith, and for the Amount

Ltres recd N 36 thereof He gave them Bills of Exchange on the Agent Victualler and Naval Storekeeper of Mr. Griffins Squadron. Who as he had no Liberty from Mr. Griffin for Drawing the same Refus'd to accept them whereupon as soon as Capn. Pawlet arriv'd he was accquainted therewith and desird to discharge them himself. But that not being altogether convenient for him to do, He gave us two setts of Bills of Cons 24 Octr. Exchange One on the Principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy, and the other on the Commissioner for victualling His Majestys Navy with Letters of advice to each. The first Bills of each sett with the Letters of advice are therefore now inclos'd in this Ships Packet.

72. The Remarks sent out by your Honours which were made on Mr. William Belsches Accounts. He has been accquainted with In answer to which he deliverd us in a Letter a Copy whereof goes in this Ships Packet.

SUPPLEMENT

Cons. 22 Febry. 73. As their is no proper Officer Here for Registering of Wills which us'd to be done at Madrass by the Register of the Mayors Court, In Compliance with the Requests of Sundry Persons to have the Wills of several that have Died here lately enter'd on our Consultations, We have accordingly granted the same.

74. A few days past we Receiv'd from Mr. Morse an Account of Two Bonds He has for money lent the Honble Company at Madrass Vizt.

One for Pagodas twenty thousand 20,000 Dated the 12 June 1746. The Money was lent to the Company some Years before and the Interest paid to that time.

One for Pagodas ten Thousand 10,000 Dated 30th. September 1746 and these are the only ones that we have Recd an Account of Since those mention'd in our Letters to your Honours of the 11th. October.

Cons. 9 March. 75. Several of the Commanders of Your Honours Ships being in want of Ballast, as nothing could be procur'd here for that purpose, but Sand they applyed to us for Double Gunny Baggs to put the same in, which was granted them, but upon the Warehousekeeper desiring them to pay for the same before their Departure from hence they return'd him for Answer Your Honours were to be at the Expence thereof which as we do not find any where specified in their Charter Partys we therefore must leave it to Your Honours to settle that Affair with their Owners.

76. We observe Your Honours directions in your Letter recd by the Pelham concerning the Church Stocks of Madrass, and as soon as we recd the Leidger which your Honours mention to have sent us in the Sommerset Packet and got a perfect Knowledge of what is owing to the said Stock we shall Endeavour to collect the same, And hope to inform Your Honours by the next conveyance, of all you desire in regard thereto, as well as of the Charity Stock which is entirely out of our Power to give you the least Knowledge of at present, as the Pelham did not arrive here till the 3 Instant since when our attention has been mostly taken up about the Present dispatch. As Mr. Samuel Harrison is indebted to the Church Stock the Sum of two Thousand 2000 Pagodas which was lent upon his House at Madrass. His Lady being here and designing to proceed for Europe on this Ship we wrote her a Letter, to desire she would Discharge the same or Impower a Person to do it Cons. 18 Febry. after she was gone, to which she Return'd us for Answer that having remitted to Cons. 22 Febry. England every thing belonging to Mr. Harrison, It was not in her power to pay the said sum, but if we could apply to Mr. Harrison about it she did not doubt but he would give proper Directions for discharging the same, Therefore as Your Honours will see Mr. Harrison we thought it necessary to Accquaint you with this that the same may be demanded of him.

77. Upon the Death of Capn. John Byers late Commander of your Snow Brilliant, finding He had not paid the Wages due to the Officers & Seamen belonging to that Vessel Notwithstanding He had recd of us the Money for that purpose we therefore took Charge of his Effects, Out of which we have discharg'd the wages due to the aforesaid People and as none of his creditors would take upon them to

Administer to the Estate we sold all his Goods at Outcry and when the Amount of them is Collected shall let it lye in your Honours Cash, till some Person or other shall think proper to administer thereto. Cons. 29 Octr.

78. The Number of Bales we have laden on this Ship is 938 which with what else we have put on board her amounts as ꝑ Invoice to Pagodas One hundred & two Thousand two hundred and seven. Sixteen fanams 102207 : 16 —.

79. The Ballance of your Honours Cash remaining here this day is Twenty one Thousand Six hundred Thirty five Pagodas, thirteen fanams and Seven Cash (21635 : 13 : 7) and the Diamonds Registerd by this Ship Amounts to Pagodas 76007:17:30.

80. At the Request of Mr. Levy Mosses to pay into your Honours Cash the Sum of Pagodas 116 : 18 fans. on Accot: of the Estate of Oswald Saw deceas'd We have granted him Certificates for the same. Cons. 13 Feby.

We are very Respectfully

FORT ST. DAVID
22D. FEBRUARY 1748/9

HONOURABLE

Your faithfull & most Obedt. Serts.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHARD PRINCE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXR WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

POST SCRIPT

The Bills we have Drawn on Your Honours at 90 days Sight and the Stated Exchange are as follows.

Vizr.

For Companys Servants &ca. @ 8 shills. ꝑ Pagoda.

		£	s	d	Pags.	fa.	
1	Set to John Geekie or order value recd here of Mr. Henry Powney for	63	17	4	159	24	—
1	To Thomas Bland or order value recd here of Mr. John Pybus ...	20	—	—	50	—	—
1	To Ann Reynolds or order value recd here of Mr. Thomas Langford	20	—	—	50	—	—
3	Setts for Companys Servants ...	£103	17	4	259	24	—

For Free Merchants &ca. @ 7s. 8d. ꝑ Pagoda.

		£	s	d	Pags.	fa.	
1	Set to William Minet or order value recd here of Charles Floyer Esqr.	75	10	4	197	—	—
4	Sets for Companys Servants & Free Merchts	£197	7	8	456	24	—

Besides which we have drawn a set of Bills on Your Honours Payable at Ninety Days sight to Charles Floyer Esqr: & M^r. John Haman for the sum of Pagodas 4246 : 21 : 30 being the Amount of a Ships Cargoe taken by Commodore Griffin, and recd into your Cash here in August last, Of which we before omitted to advise You.

We are very Respectfully

FORT S^T. DAVID — HONOURABLE

22^D. FEBRY. 1748/9 — Your Faithfull & most Obed^t. Ser^t.

CHARLES FLOYER.
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GENERAL LETTER TO CAPTAIN B. FISHER DATED FEBRUARY 22, 1749.
[*Public Despatches to England*, *Vol. 17*, *p. 32.*]

TO CAP^N. BENJAMIN FISHER
OF SHIP PORTO BELLO

SIR

You are hereby orderd to repair on board your Ship & make the best of your way to the port of LONDON in GREAT BRITAIN with the Packets herewith deliverd you mark'd A & B Directed to the Honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their House in Leadenhall Street LONDON The first port you arrive at in England you are to send your purser a shore with that mark'd A & forward it with all possible Expedition.

Should you meet with any of his Majestys Ships at S^t. Helena homeward bound or in your passage from thence, We direct that you put yourself under their Command.

In Case you call at the Cape, it will be acceptable to the Governour of S^t. Helena, that you carry him some Garden Seeds Plants &c^a. We wish you a safe & speedy passage, Dated in Fort S^t. David this 22^d. day of February 1748/9.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHARD PRINCE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones licenced by the President and Council of Fort St. David to be shipp'd on the Porto Bello Capn. Benjamin Fisher by the following Persons in return for Coral &ca.

			By Charles Floyer Esqr. Consignd to Jacob Salvadore or Order.			
B F S ... N	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a chest of Coral Beads B F S N 2 imported 1748 ℘ Wager	3850	30	63
			By Charles Floyer Esqr. to John Turner or order.			
4T ...	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	533	31	40
			By Moses Berend Heyman to Henry Issac or order.			
H4 ...	3	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part Returns for the remains of five Chests Silver H4 N 1 @ 5 ℘ Caesar & Eastcourt 1748.	2174	29	65
H4 ...	5	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for two Chests Silver H4 N 1 @ 2 ℘ Duke Dorset and Wager 1748 ...	4241	5	24
			By Moses Berand Heyman to Levy and Reuben Salomons or Order.			
LRS	4 & 5	2	Two Bulses Diamonds in full returns for two Chests of Silver LRS N 1 @ 2 ℘ Duke of Dorset 1748	5494	31	13
LRS ...	6	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver LRS N 4 ℘ Pelham.	2713	9	—
LRS ...	7	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads MBH No. 4 ℘ Prince William 1748	584	20	2
			By Moses Berend Heyman to Herman Hendricks or order.			
HH ...	6	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full for the remains of two Chests of Silver HH N 2 & 3 ℘ Caesar & Eastcourt 1748.	557	27	20
			By Nicholas Morse Esqr. & Henry Powney to Heron Powney Thomas Hall Esqr. & William Wood.			
HP ...	3	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	501	16	6
			By Solomon Salomons to Abraham & Jacob Franco or order.			
◈ A4F ...	15 & 16	2	Two Bulses Diamonds value 7647 : 33 : 5 Vizt. In part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads ◈ N 132 imported Marlbrô 1746 ... 2177 7 43			

				In full returns for D°. ⟡ N 1:4 ℔ Caesar 1747. 1547 21 46				
				In part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads ⅌F N 1 ℔ Wager 1748. 823 29 20				
				In full for D°. AF⸸ N 10 ℔ Wager 1748 ... 1224 20 74				
				In part for D°. ⸸FD N 30 ℔ Houghton 1746. 411 32 22				
				There is included in these Bulses. 1462 29 40		7647	33	5
				By Solomon Salomons to Phineas Serra or order.				
P S	...	N 5	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads ⸸ P/F N 2 ℔ Benjamin 1747		2528	23	75
				By Solomon Salomons to Aaron Franks and David Salomons or Order.				
S/A F	...	8	1	One Bulse Diamonds value		3377	27	—
				By Solomon Salomons to Abra: & Jacob Franco or order.				
S F	...	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds value		210	28	19
F/A ⸸	...	6 & 7	2	Two Bulses Diamonds value		1830	12	25
				By Solomon Salomons to Joseph & David Franco or order.				
F/⸸ D	...	3	1	One Bulse Diamonds value		407	—	15
				By Solomon Salomons to Moses D'Jacob Franco.				
F/M ⸸	...	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds value		201	29	25
				By George Jones & Levy Moses to Levy & Reuben Salomoes and Henry Moses or Order.				
L R S/H	...	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver LRS N 5 ℔ Pelham 1748		1939	32	33
				By George Jones and Levy Mosses to Assur Isaac Levy or order.				

M P	...	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for two Chests Silver MP N 1 & 2 ꝑ Caesar and Eastcourt 1748 ...				886	9	30
				By George Jones & Levy Moses to Timothy Tullie and Henry Moses or order.						
T T	...	5	1	One Bulse Diamonds value				2644	9	—
				By Nicholas Morse Esqr. to Nathan Salomons or Order.						
N S	...	3 & 4	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for two Chest Silver NS N 3 & 4 ꝑ Caesar 1748				4406	32	67
				By Nicholas Morse Esqr. to Isaac De David Levy or Order.						
P L	...	1 & 2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for two Chests Silver PL 1 & 2 ꝑ Cæsar and Eastcourt 1748 ...				2513	3	44
				By Nicholas Morse Esqr. to Samuel Hartog Levy or order.						
S H L	...	1 & 2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for two Chests Silver S HL N 1 & 2 ꝑ Caesar and Eastcourt 1748 ...				1215	9	74
				By Nicholas Morse Esqr. to Jacob Salvadore or Order.						
F S	...	3	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads F S N 3 ꝑ Wager				456	3	74
FS	...	3	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads FS N 3 ꝑ Princess Mary 1746				326	5	—
				By Nicholas Morse Esqr. Joseph Fowke to Jacob Salvadore or Order.						
✡ S	...	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	3542	13	50			
				In full returns for a Box Amber Beads ✡ N 4 ꝑ Benjamin 1747	463	9	62			
				D^o. N 1 ⧖ Coral Beads ꝑ Benjamin 1747...	1062	20	2			
				D^o. Amber Beads SB N 2 ꝑ D^o. 1747 ...	399	10	40			
				Part returns for a Box Coral Beads ✡ 4 ꝑ Britannia 1746 ...	1617	9	26			
								3542	13	50

			By Joseph Fowke Natal Levy Sonsino or Order.			
LS	N 16	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box Coral Beads LS N 16 ꝑ Marlbro 1746	1271	33	11
C ...	8	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box Coral Beads C N 8 ꝑ Marlbrô 1746	625	34	50
			By Joseph Fowke to Abraham De Fonsees or Order.			
A A ...	3& 4	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for the remains of two Boxes Coral Beads A A N 3 & 4 Eastcourt & Caesar 1748.	1087	35	—
			By Joseph Fowke to Joakim Moses or Order.			
R E ...	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for the remains of a chest of Silver RE N 2 ꝑ Eastcourt 1748	833	33	36
			By Joseph Fowke Benjn. Mendes Da Costa or Order.			
S B ...	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads SB N 1 ꝑ Salisbury 1746	2250	22	61
			By Moses Berand Heyman to Henry Isaac or order.			
H I ...	4	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full for the remains of 5 chests of Silver H I N 1 @ 5 ꝑ Cæsar and Eastcourt ...	2693	3	48
			By Moses Berend Heyman to Levy & Reuben Salomons or Order.			
L R S ...	3	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full for the remains of four Chests Silver LRS N 1 @ 4 ꝑ Cæsar & Eastcourt 1748.	2130	25	36
			By Joseph Fowke to Jacob Salvadore or Order.			
R E ...	13	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads REN13 ꝑ Houghton 1746	985	10	64
E ...	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads EN1 ꝑ Wager 1748	1566	23	17
[mark] C ...		1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns of a Box of Coral Beads [mark] N C ꝑ Houghton 1746	1016	10	23
			By Charles Floyer Esqr. & Alexr. Wynch to Thos. & Nicholas Crispe or Order.			
C TN ...	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Chest Silver C TN ꝑ Wager 1745.	805	9	28
			By Joseph Fowke to Jacob Salvadore or order.			

M S E	...	4	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Box Coral Beads M S E N 4 ⅌ Wager 1748	1558	14	77
R E	...	17	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box Coral Beads RE N17 ⅌ Salisbury 1746	897	9	47
				By JOSEPH FOWKE to JACOB FERNANDES NUNES or order.			
F N	...	1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box Coral Beads FN N 1 ⅌ Marlbro 1746	1550	5	28
				By JOSEPH FOWKE to JOCOB SALVADORE or order.			
4 8 F	...	2	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	1780	12	12
				By NICHOLAS MORSE Esqr. & JOSEPH FOWKE to BENJAMIN MENDES DA Costa or order.			
(T B)		2	1	One Bulse Diamonds in full returns for a Box Coral Beads (T B) N 2 ⅌ Salisbury 1746	725	28	13
				By JOSEPH FOWKE to JACOB SARVADORE or Order.			
4 8 F	...	3	1	One Bulse Diamonds value	440	22	70
			45	Bulses ... ... Pagodas ...	77007	17	30

FORT St. DAVID 22d. Feby. 1748/9.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.
Secry.

LIST OF THE FORT St. DAVID PACKET TO ENGLAND ⅌ SHIP PORTO BELLO DATED 22D. FEBY. 1748/9.

N 1. General Letter to the Honble the Court of Directors ⅌ Porto Bello Dated 22 Febry 1748/9.

2. Duplicate Do. ⅌ Lapwing dated 16 Janry 1748/9.

3. Triplicate Do. ⅌ Swift Snow dated 17 Octr. 1748.

4. Invoices of Ship Porto Bello's Cargoe Amos. to Pags. 102207. 16. „

5. First Bill of Lading for Do.

6. Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones licensed by the President & Council of Fort St. David to be shipt on the Porto Bello Captain Benjamin Fisher Amounting to Pags. 77007. 17. 30.

7. Triplicate Do. ⅌ Lapwing Amos. to Pags. 100470. 21. 73.

8. Duplicate Coppy of a Letter from the President Council of Fort St. David to the Honble Edward Boscawen Esqr. Dated 30 Novr. 1748.

9. Duplicate Coppy of a Letter from the Honble Edward Boscawen Esqr. to the President & Council of Fort St. David dated 5 December 1748.
10. Duplicate Copy of a Letter from the President & Council of Fort St. David to the Honble Edward Boscawen Esqr. Dated 19th. December 1748.
11. Coppy of a Letter from the President & Council of Fort St. David to the Honble Edward Boscawen Esqr. dated 30 Janry 1748/9.
12. Coppy of a Letter from the Honble Edward Boscawen Esqr. to the President and Council of Fort St. David Dated 30 Janry 1748/9.
13. Capt. Richard Woods first Receipt for 1500 Pags. supplyd him agreeable to the Terms of Ship Colchesters Charter Party dated 8 Novr. 1748.
14. Manifest of Sundries licensed by the President and Council of Fort St. David on board the Porto Bello for Presents Vizt.
15. Coppy of a Letter from Mr. William Belsches.
16. Capn. Pawlets First Bill of Exchange on the Honble the Commissioners for victualing his Majestys Navy.
17. Capn. Pawlets Letter of Advice to the Principal Officers for victualing His Majestys Navy.
18. Capn. Pawlets first Bill of Exchange on the Honble the Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majestys Navy.
19. Capn. Pawlets Letter of advice to the Principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majestys Navy.
20. Muster Roll of the four Companys, Troop of Horse, Bombay Detachment and Train of Artillery of Fort St. David.
21. Muster Roll of the Seapoys and Horsemen at Fort St. David.
22. Indent for Military Stores Dated 14 Febry 1748/9.
23. Indent for Sundrys wanted for the use of the Armoury Dated 14th. Feby. 1748/9.
24. List of the Honble Companys Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Choromandel dated 19 Febry 1748/9.
25. List of inhabitants Men Women & Children dated 19 Feby. 1748/9.
26. Register of Marriages, Christnings Deaths and Burials.
27. Proportional Estimate for the Number of Different Shot, Carriages, and compleat Armaments belonging to a Garrison furnish'd with 280 Guns & 30 Mortars.
28. Surgeons Indent for Medicines, Instruments &ca.
29. Estimate of the Expence of the Projected Works near the River.
30. Indent for Woolen Goods &ca. for the Import warehouse for the year 1750.
31. Indent of Stores for Use and Sale for the Year 1750.
32. Import Warehouse Account remains dated 31 Janry 1748/9.
33. List of Ship Porto Bello's Men.
34. List of Ship Porto Bello's Amunition and Warlike Stores.
35. Surgeon List of Deaths.
36. Duplicate Manefest of Sundrys permitted by the President & Council of Fort St. David to be shipp'd on board the Lapwing for Presents.
37. Capt. Francis Cheynes second Receipt for the Packet.
38. Calculate of Ship Porto Bello's Tonnage.
39. Export Warehousekeepers Account Remains.

40. Account of the Quick Stock to the 31st Janry 1748/9.
41. Govinda Chitty and Tenneveroy Pillahs Accot. Current.
42. Nella Tomby Chitty Irshapah Chitty and Shamp Tombys Account Current.
43. Irshapah Chittys Account Current. } for the year 1748.
44. Andeapah Moodellare Account Current.
45. Nolla Tomby Chitty & Sadashava Reddee Account Current.
46. An Account of the Land Customs at Cuddalore for the years 1747 & 1748.
47. Cuddalore Sea Customs for the year 1748.
48. Mint Customs for the years 1747 &1748.
49. List of Revenues for the year 1748.
50. List of Debts standing out in our General Books ending April 1748.
51. An Abstract of Customs collected at Tevenapatam for the year 1748.
52. Storekeepers Account Remains.
53. Account of the Investment for the year 1748.
54. List of Packing Stuff on 694 Bales.
55. An Account of the Expences of the Expedition to Pondicherry.
56. Plan of the Fort with the projected Works next the River.
57. Sundry Accounts not yet adjusted between His Brittanick Majestys Squadron under the Command of Commodore Barnet & Edward Peyton Esqr. & the Honble United East India Company.
58. Musters of Gold & Silver Vizt.
    New Pillar Dollars recd ℔ Tartar 25.
    Madrass Pagodas 3.
    Current Pagodas 3.
    Arcot Rupees 6.

FORT ST. DAVID 22 Febry 1748/9.

CHARLES BOURCHIER
Secy.

LIST OF BOOKS IN THE FORT ST. DAVID PACKET ℔ PORTO BELLO MARK'D B DATED 22D. FEBRY 1748/9.

No. 1.	CONSULTATIONS & DIARIES	
	WHOLE SET	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.
2.	LETTERS RECEIV'D	
	WHOLE SET	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.
3.	LETTERS SENT	
	WHOLE SET	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.
4.	CASH BOOK	
	Whole set	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.
5.	COUNTRY LETTERS	
	Whole Set	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.

6. COWLES & COMMISSIONS Whole Set	...	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.
7. DIARIES & CONSULTATIONS Broken Set	...	From 1 Janry 1748/9. To 22 Feby. 1748/9.
8. LETTERS RECEIVD Broken Set	...	From 1 Janry 1748/9. To 22 Feby. 1748/9.
9. LETTERS SENT Broken Set	...	From 1 Janry 1748/9. To 22 Feby. 1748/9.
10. CASH BOOK Broken Set	...	From 1 Janry 1748/9. To 22 Feby. 1748/9.
11. COWLES & COMMISSIONS Broken Set	...	From 1 Janry 1748/9. To 22 Feby 1748/9.
12. FORT ST. DAVID JOURNAL 13. FORT ST. DAVID LEIDGER ...	Letter W W Letter.	Commencing May 1748. Ending 30 April 1748.
14. CUDDALORE SEA CUSTOMS ... ... 15. CUDDALORE LAND CUSTOMS	...	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.
16. FORT ST. DAVID MINT BOOK ...	...	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.
17. PAYMASTERS ACCOUNTS	...	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.
18. FORT ST. DAVID JOURNAL ...	Letter XX ...	Commencing 1 May 1748. Ending 31 Decr. 1748.
19. VIZAGAPATAM JOURNAL ... 20. VIZAGAPATAM LEIDGER ...	Letter V ...	From 1 May 1746. To 30 Aprl. 1747.
21. VIZAGAPATAM JOURNAL ... 22. VIZAGAPATAM LEIDGER ...	Letter W ...	From 1 May 1747. To 30 April 1748.
23. INGERAM JOURNAL ... ... 24. INGERAM LEIDGER	...	From 1 May 1746. To 30 April 1747.
25. INGERAM JOURNAL ... ... 26. INGERAM LEIDGER	...	From 1 May 1747. To 30 April 1748.
27. GANJAM JOURNAL ... ... 28. GANJAM LEIDGER	...	From 1 May 1747. To 30 April 1748.
29. MADDAPOLLAM JOURNAL ... 30. MADDAPOLLAM LEIDGER ...	...	From 1 May 1747. To 31 Decr. 1747.
31. TEVENEPATAM Sea and Land Customs	...	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.
32. SHIP BOOK	...	From 1 Janry 1747/8. To 31 Decr. 1748.
33. SHIP BOOK	...	From 1 Janry 1748/9. To 21 Febry 1748/9.

FORT ST. DAVID the 22d. February 1748/9.

CHARLES BOURCHIER
Secry.

MANIFEST OF SUNDRYS LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S[r]. DAVID ON BOARD THE PORTO BELLO FOR PRESENTS VIZ[T].

By M[r]. JOSEPH FOWKE.

1 Bundle directed to M[r]. Jacob Salvadore ... ... q[ts]. 3 P[s]. Dimitty.
1 D[o]. M[r]. Thomas Waters ... ... 3 P[s]. Muslin.

By M[r]. MOSES BEREND HEYMAN.

1 Bundle for M[rs]. Heyman q[ts]. three peices Long Cloth & five Cambrick.

FORT S[T] DAVID 22[d]. February 1748/9.

CHARLES BOURCHIER
Secy.

LETTER TO S[T]. HELENA, DATED FEBRUARY 22, 1749.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, p. 40.*]

TO THE WORSHIPFULL CHARLES HUTCHINSON ESQ[R].
DEPUTY GOV[R]. &C[A]. COUNCIL OF S[T]. HELENA

WORSH[L]. SIR & SIRS

The True Briton carried our last to you dated the 26 ultimo, on which Ship we sent you Sundry's for the use of your place, as we now do the Cloth you indented for, and other necessary's on the Porto Bello, Invoice and Bill of Lading for which come inclosd.

On this Ship We have sent two Person's by Name Moota & Teaga, who have receivd sentence to be Transported to your Island, and to serve the Company there for Life and for the Charge of whose Passages we have bound the Honble Company to be accountable to the Owners of Ship Porto Bello, after the rate of one Shilling ℔ day each, as the usual allowance granted for such as was sent to Fort Marlborough under those Circumstances We are

FORT S[T]. DAVID

22 FEBRY 1748/9.

WORSH[L]. SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
RICHARD PRINCE.
WILLIAM HOLT.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED MAY 11, 1749.
[*Public Despatches to England, Volume 17, pp. 40–43.*]

TO THE HONBLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY
OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND
TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES

HONOURABLE

It is with not a little Concern that we address Your Honours at present, as it is upon so melancholly a Subject as the Loss of above Forty sail of Vessels, upon this Coast by a Violent Gale of wind that came on the 13 ultimo and lasted all that and the next day. Among the number of those unfortunate Vessels were His Majesty's Ships Namure and Pembroke both which lay at Anchor in this Road till the Evening of the 13th. when they either Cut or Slipp'd their Cables and attempted

to get out to Sea, but the wind being far Easterly, they could neither of them Weather Caldroon Point which lyes about ten Leagues to the Southward of this Place, Wherefore the Namure after having lost her Masts, came to an Anchor and in a short space of time, Foundered, and the Pembroke struck upon the Point with all the sail set that she coul'd carry in endeavouring to get round it and immediately split to Peices, On board of which two Ships near Nine hundred and fifty Men perish'd, and only thirty five were sav'd out of both. There being no news of the Appollo Man of War that was lying to the Southward, nor of the S^t. Frances Snow a Tender to the Fleet. It's greatly to be fear'd they have Shar'd the same fate on board of both which were three hundred and forty men Your Honours Ship Winchelsea, whom we dispatch'd for the Malabar Coast, not being able to gain her passage round Ceyloan, as it was so late in the Season, Returnd here again the 7 ultimo, and with the Lincoln was drove on shore a little to the Southward of the Fort, and not above two or three of their people were drown'd, The surff having thrown them pretty high on the Shore, Your Ship Princess Augusta that was also lying in the Road was wreck'd about half way between this Place and Porto Novo most part of whose people were sav'd Likewise, and some part of her Wreck which has been dispos'd of. The Tartar, Deal Castle and Swallow Men of War that were going to the Southward with your Honours Ship Edgebastion, carried away all their Masts and the latter was very much Shatterd and drove near Pondicherry from whence she was greatly assisted by Monsr. Dupliex, but the Westerly Monsoon being set in and the Current running strong to the Northward as she was in so bad a condition, The Chief Mate (who has taken upon him the Command of her Cap^n. Hereford having died off Pondicherry) wrote a letter to the Admiral acquainting him that it was his and his Officers Opinion it was not practable to work up hither at this Season therefore should proceed to Bengal, which he has accordingly done as we are inform'd by Monsr. Dupleix. Your Ships Sommerset, Royal George and Rhoda, who arrivd here the 16 following from Bengal met with the Gale off Ceyloan, but none rec̃d any considerable Damage from it except the Rhoda who had like to have overset, it having laid her upon the Beam ends when her Cargoe shiffted in her Hold and she continued so, till her Topmasts was Cut away at which she righted thô is much shatter'd by it, as are a Number of Country Ships that are now lying in this Road, many of which were also Lost. The Hand of Providence has been no more favourable to our Neighbours the French & Dutch, for the former had drove ashore. Three ships and two small Vessels between this and Pondicherry, One of which was a Sixty Gun Ship as we are informd, whose Crew were all sav'd, and one loaded with a Number of y^e. Cannon belonging to Madrass which they were bringing to Pondicherry foundered in the way. The Dutch have lost several Ships but we are not accquainted with the Exact Number. By advices from Tellicherry we are informd that the 14 they had a very Violent Gale on that Coast which drove ashore many Vessels, and particularly a Sloop of your Honours belonging to Anjengo that was loaded with Bales and bound thither But as yet we have no Account wether any other English Vessells have sufferd any Damage by it.

His Majesty's Ship the Syren who arrivd at Colombo some time in March by having most of her People sick from the Length of her Passage stayd at that place to recover them, whereby she escap'd this terrible disaster. She arrived here the 30 ultimo, by whom we Receivd Your Honours Commands of the 21 July and being informd by Cap^n. King that he had on board fifty Chests of Treasure consignd to Bengall, As our Stock at that time was no more than four Chests, to enable Us to Dispatch the several Ships to China this Season agreeable to your directions. We desir'd the Admiral to order it to be landed here, which has been accordingly done, and we hope in a short time to send away the Pelham and Somerset, As also the Rhoda, when she is cleard of what stores she has on board belonging to His Majesty and the Royal Duke whom we are in Expectation of seeing shortly from the Malabar Coast. The Royal George we shall dispatch in a few days for Batavia for a supply of Arrack & Timber & Plank for the use of the Garrison. The Lincoln was design'd for this Voyage and to have carried the usual Supplys for the West Coast which as the Success Galley is bound that way and Cap^n. Barton has made us an Offer to carry anything for that Place freight free, we have accepted of because the Season is now

late and if the Royal George shoul'd call there might occasion her to be so long on her Voyage that she would in all probabillity, not be able to get back hither again before the Monsoon, as she is but a heavy Sailor. The Elizabeth that went round to the other Coast with Mr. Pawlets Squadron, we are inform'd from Tellicherry had been there, and was gone to Anjengo for some stores lying there belonging to His Majesty. The Brilliant Snow had been there Likewise. In her way hither and we are now in hourly Expectation of seeing her here. The Dorrington arriv'd at Cochine the 4 February with above seventy of her Men down with the Scurvy which obligd her to remain there some days to recover them after which she proceeded to Bombay where we are Informd she was arriv'd, and was to proceed in a short time after for China.

We are

Honourable

Fort St. David

11th. May 1749.

Your faithfull humble Serts:

Charles Floyer.
Edward Croke.
Stringer Lawrence.
Richard Prince.
William Holt.
Alexander Wynch.
Foss Westcott.

General Letter to the Company, dated August 30, 1749.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, pp. 43-44.*]

To the Honble the Court of Directors
for affairs of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England
Trading to the East Indies.

Honourable

As we imagine an Address by the way of Bussorah may possibly reach your honours before any of the Shipping that will proceed for Europe next Month, we therefore now dispatch this to Bombay to be forwarded from thence by the first Opportunity, and have the great satisfaction to accquaint your Honours that General Boscawen took possession of Fort St. George on the 21 instant which occasions Universal Joy among the late Inhabitants of that place, who throng'd there in great numbers immediately on hoisting the English Flag: Thô all the Art the French made use of could not induce them to return while they were in Possession, and the Attachment they now shew to the English gives them no little Mortification. The Condition we have receiv'd it in, is indeed very indifferent the French having Undermined the Fortifications, and Rifled it of all the usefull and valuable Stores the particulars of which we shall transmitt your Honours with Our next advices.

We have likewise the pleasure to advise Your Honours of the arrival here of the following outward bound Ships Vizt.

Griffin	the 10th June.
Sandwich	28th Do.
Walpole	2d July.
Dragon	2d Do.
Brittania	4th Do.
Montfort	30 Do.

and those bound for China after being unloaded with the greatest Expedition saild for that place Vizt.

Griffin	28th June.
Sandwich	14 July.
Montfort	10 August.

besides which have been dispatchd by us for that Port of the last Years Shipping the Pelham 21st May the Somerset the 7 June, Rhoda 28th June in Company with the Griffin and the Royal Duke the 9th July the Walpole staid here but six days to land what she brought out for this Settlement and saild the 8th. July for the Bay with a supply of Rupees, a further Quantity of which Article we forwarded to the Gentlemen there by the Brittania, whom we dispatch'd for that place the 20th following, and the Dragon will sail thither in a day or two with another supply thereof.

As yet we have no News of your Ship Augusta further than that the Walpole spoke with her the 23d April in the Latt: of 31.21 (e m) South and East of the Cape 4.56 (e m) wherefore we imagine she had proceeded directly for Canton or Batavia. The Tavistock having met with hard Gales of Wind of Zeloan was blown off the Coast and put in at Vizagapatam the 8 July, from whence she proceeded for the Bay the 19 following. The Montfort in her way hither from Atcheen, (to which place the Commander went on finding himself to Leeward of Zeloan & his People much afflicted with the Scurvy) met with the Griffin & Rhoda, the 5 July of Atcheen Head.

We purpose dispatching some time next Month to your Honrs: two Ships, but as yet are not come to a Resolution which, but design them to be first that arrive here.

As we think this is all that is necessary to Advise your Honours by this Conveyance, We shall therefore add no more than that we are very Respectfully.

FORT ST. DAVID
30th. August 1749.

HONOURABLE

Your faithfull humble servants

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
[*lacuna*].
RICHARD PRINCE.
[*lacuna*].
THOMAS COOKE.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED OCTOBER 9, 1749.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, pp. 45–47.*]

TO THE HONBLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONBLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND
TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

Having compleated the Loading of your Ship Chesterfield, altho our Books & Papers are not in readiness, We have thought it proper rather than let her waite for them (as a days detention at this time may prove of the utmost ill Consequence should the Monsoon set in as expected) to dispatch her with only this short address, & shall by the Royal George who is now taking in her Cargoe & will follow in ten days at farthest, transmitt your Honours a particular account of our proceedings here since the departure of the Porto Bello which as there is a probabillity of their reaching You as soon as this & as we only at this Season transmitt single Copy thereof, We apprehend the not sending them by this opportunity will be of no material signification.

In the Letter We wrote Your Honours via Bombay bearing date the 30th. August to advise that General Boscawen had taken possession of the Town of Madrass (of which a Duplicate is inclosd in this Ships Packet) We accquainted Your Honours of such of Your Ships as had arriv'd with Us this year since when, on the 8th. ultimo Imported the Severn Capn. Richard Dorrill, who staid here but four days to land the Treasure &ca. she brought out for the use of this Presidency, after which

saild for Madrass the Admiral being there to deliver the Stores belonging to His Majesty & We are inform'd has since proceeded for the Bay. By her We were favourd with Your Honours Commands bearing date the 29th. March, as we have likewise been with those by the several other Ships that have arrived here this Season to all which We beg leave to assure Your Honours We shall pay the stricktest regard.

We have no advise as yet of the arrival of the Augusta at any Port in India tho we are inform'd by Cap^{n}. Field of the Royal George lately come from Batavia that Capt. Barton of the Success Galley in his passage thither met her the 23^{d}. June in the Latt^{d} of 2^{e}.17^{m} North & 11^{e}.31^{m} East Merridian distance from Tranquebar.

In this Ships Cargo Your Honours will find one hundred (100) Bales of brown Cloth which as it arriv'd so here from Vizagapatam a few days past we were streighten'd for Boats to land the same We orderd it to make quick Dispatch to be convey'd with the other Bales that accompanied it, on board the Chesterfield by the Boats belonging to that Ship, the which had we resolv'd to have landed would have been the occasion of a day or two's detention of her & which as we said before might at this Season (prove of the worst Consequence) therefore We were induced to act in this manner.

A few days past the Sheerness, Man of War & Basilisk Bomb Ketch both left this place for the Cape to prepare the necessary Refreshments for the Fleet when they arrive there which with the Admiral is at present at Madrass but we expect daily to see him here, Where we imagine his stay will be very short as the Season is now far advanc'd.

On this Ship takes Passage M^{r}. William Holt who having the misfortune to be disorder'd in his Senses which occasion'd his commiting some extravagant actions We found ourselves under a necessity of suspending him from his Seat at the Board Likewise holding any Employment in Your Honours Service, of which a more particular Account is mentiond in our Consultations of the 17th. June the day of his suspension & as it is the opinion of the Doctors that his disorder has been occasion'd by the heat of the Climate, & from which there is no probability of his being relievd should he remain here but that a cold Country might be very conducive to the Effecting a cure is the reason We have resolvd to send him Home: M^{r}. Hyde Parker late an Ensign in your Honours Service at his own request is likewise a passanger on this Ship on Charter party terms; Whose scandalous behaviour occasiond the Officers here to refuse rolling with him & by the Decree of a Court of Enquiry that was held upon him, he was judg'd to be unworthy of holding a Commission therefore suspended on which Account he made his request to be sent home which We therefore comply'd with.

At the request of our President to pay into your Honours Cash the sum of nine thousand eight hundred and forty nine Pagodas twenty one fanams & twenty two Cash (9849.21.22) on Acco^{t}: of the Estate of Your late Governour John Hinde Esqr: agreeable to your honours directions We have granted him Certificates for the same.

By this Ship We send Your Honours a Box Packet that we rec̃d a few days past from the President & Council of Fort William which they desird We wou'd forward by the first Opportunity & in our Packet one from the President & Council of Bombay who requested the same of us.

We are very Respectfully,

Fort S^{t}. David ...

Honourable

9 October 1749.

Your faithfull humble Serv^{ts}.

Charles Floyer.
Edward Croke.
[*lacuna*]
Richard Prince.
Alexander Wynch.
[*lacuna*]
Thomas Cooke.

POSTSCRIPT

The Bills We have drawn on Your Honours at ninety days sight are Viz^{t}—

		£	s.	D.	P.	FA.	CA.
1	One set to Cap^{n}. John Blake or Order value Rec̃d here of Cap^{n}. Jno. Nanfan @ 8^{sh}. ℘ Pag^{o}	400	0	0	1000	0	0
1	One set to Thomas Lord Esqr. or order value Rec̃d here of Cap^{n}. John Nanfan ...	340	0	0	850	0	0
2	two Sets for	£ 740	0	0	1850	0	0

Seven hundred and forty Pounds or One Thousand eight hundred and fifty Pagodas We are,

FORT S^{T}. DAVID

9 OCT^{R}. 1749.

HONOURABLE

Your faithfull humble Servants.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
[*lacuna*]
RICHARD PRINCE.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
[*lacuna*]
THOMAS COOKE.

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS & PRECIOUS STONES LICẼNSED BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T} DAVID, TO BE SHIPPD ON BOARD THE CHESTERFIELD CAP^{N}. EDWIN CARTER, BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN RETURN FOR CORAL &C^{A}.

	By SALAMON FRANCO consignd JOSEPH SALAMONS or order.			
IS ... N 1	1 One Bulse Diamonds in full return of a Chest of silver IS N-1 Imported ℘ Dragon Anno 1749	2702	8	64
	By SALAMON FRANCO to JOSEPH & DAVID FRANCO or order			
ЄD ... N 1 F	1 One Bulse Diamonds value of which Pag^{s}. 1286. 24. is in full return of a Chest of Coral Mark'd ЄD N 33 Im- F ported ℘ Dorrington at Bombay Anno 1748 and P 2028—18—16 in full of a Chest of Silver markd ЄD N F 37 Imported ℘ Britannia 1749 ...	3394	19	65
	By SALAMON FRANCO to AHRAHAM NUMBROSE DE MOTTAS or order.			
FD ... N 1	1 One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns of a Chest of Silver FD N 1 ℘ Britannia 1749	1079	21	20
	By SALAMON FRANCO to ISSAC LENDO or order.			

ƗL ... N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns of a Chest of Silver ƗL N 1 ꝑ Monfort 1749	... 1344	20	32
		By Salamon Franco to Moses D'Jacob Franco or order			
MƗ ... N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value of which Pag[s]. 1351·34·52 is in full return of a Chest of Silver MƗ/F N 31 ꝑ Britannia 1749	1567 ...	25	52
		By Salamon Franco to Abraham de Fonseca or order			
ADP ... N 1	1	One Bulse of a Diamonds in full returns of a Chest of Silver ADP N 1 ꝑ ꝑ Montfort 1749	502	27	—
		By Salamon Franco to Phineas Serra or order.			
ƗP/F ... N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns of a Chest of Coral ƗP/F N 1 ꝑ Montfort 1749	1647	15	—
		By Salamon Franco to Jacob Salvadore or Order.			
D S F B ... N 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return of a Chest of Coral D S F B N 3 ꝑ Griffin 1749	687	18	—
		By Salamon Franco to Abraham & Jacob Franco or order.			
RF ... N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return of a Chest of a Coral RF N 1 ꝑ Durrington at Surat 1748	412	8	—
		By a Salamon Franco to Isaac Delmonte or order.			
AP ... N 1	1	One Bulse Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Coral & Pearls AP N 1 Montfort 1749	413	6	24
		By Salamon Franco to Abraham & Jacob Franco or order			
AƗ/F ... N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value of which Pag[s]. 4073·8 is in return for two Chests of Silver AƗ/F N 1 & 2 Imported ꝑ Somerset & Pelham 1749 & P 2704·8·64 in return of a Chest Silver AƗ/F N 3 ꝑ Dragon 1749	6993	30	30
		By David Lopes Fernandes & Samuel de Castro to Benjamin Mendes da Costa or order			

ꟷBC ... N 1 1 One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver ꟷBC N 1 ℔ Britannia 1749 ... ... 2704 11 35

By David Lopes Fernandes & Samuel de Castro to Benjamin Mendes da Costa or order

[B] MDC ... N 1 1 One Bulse of Diamonds Vizt. In part returns of one Chest of Silver AM N 1 ℔ Britannia 1749 ... 708 27 —

In part returns of one Chest of Silver TM N1 ℔ Britãnia 1749. 235 18 —

In part returns of one Chest of Silver R DM N 1 Britannia 1749. 186 — —

In part returns of one Chest of Coral BC N 1 ℔ Britannia 1749. 211 13 40

In part returns of one Chest of Coral M N 1 ℔ Britannia 1749 ... 99 27 —

1441 13 40

By David Lopes Fernandez & Samuel de Castro to David de Castro or Order.

DC ... N 1 1 One Bulse of Diamonds Vizt. In part returns of one Chest of Silver ADCN 1 ℔ Britannia 1749 ... ... 237 — —

In part returns of a Chest of Coral & Pearls EM N 1 ℔ Britannia 1749 ... 262 13 64

499 13 64

By David Lopes Fernandez & Samuel de Castro to Mr. Jacob Bernal or order.

ꟷBꟷ ... N 1 1 One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns of a Chest of silver ꟷBꟷ N 1 ℔ Britannia 1749 ... ... 233 33 60

By David Lopes Fernandes & Samuel de Castro to Joshua Israel Brandon or order.

ꟷIB ... N I I One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns of a Chest of Silver ꟷIB N I Britannia 1749 ... ... 273 27 —

By David Lopes Fernandes & Samuel de Castro to Mr. Abraham Fernandes Nunes or Order.

4NF ... N I	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns of one Chest of silver 4NF N 1 ℔ Britannia 1749	449	18	—
		By DAVID LOPES FERNANDES & SAMUEL DE CASTRO to JOSEPH EMMETT & ISAAC LOPES DIAS or order			
EDL ... N I	I	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns of one Chest of silver ℔ Britannia 1749	667	2	20
		By JOSEPH FOWKE to JACOB SALVADOR or his Assigns.			

[4SF] ... 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Vizt. In further part returns for a Box of Coral Beads RE N 9 ℔ Scarborough 1745 ... Carried over ...	403	20	40
		In full returns for a Box of Amber Beads MEN 1 ℔ Houghton 1746	319	11	32
		In full returns of a Box of Amber Beads ME N 2 ℔ Houghton 1746	383	10	54
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads SB N 6 & 7 ℔ Britannia 1746	119	3	53
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads 4 N C ℔ Houghton 1746	957	11	56
		In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads S S B N 4 ℔ Sommerset F 1748	721	11	46
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads S S B N 3 ℔ Pelham F 1748	986	5	15
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads ✡ N 2 ℔ Wager 1748	500	4	50

	In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads M SE N 5 ꝑ Wager 1748	1815	27	42			
	In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads B SB N 1 ꝑ Wager 1748	3527	23	78			
	In part returns for Box of Coral Beads S F B N 3 ꝑ Griffin 1749	795	21	8			
	In full returns for a Chest of Silver 4 I (S) S N 1 ꝑ Britannia 1749	2618	17	43	13147	25	37
	By NICHOLAS MORSE ESQ[R]. & JOSEPH FOWKE to JACOB SALVADOR or his Assigns.						
4SF ... N 2 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Viz[t]. In full returns for a Box of Coral 4 Beads XX N 3 ꝑ Britannia 1746 ...	65	30	18			
	In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads SB N 1 ꝑ Eastcourt 1747	1653	28	13			
	In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads 4 (S) NE ꝑ Cæsar 1747	337	8	14			
	In full returns for a Box. of Coral Beads SB F N 1 ꝑ Cæsar 1747 ...	1966	28	31			
	In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads 4 (S) N D ꝑ Eastcourt 1747	668	16	35			
	In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads F LS N 2 ꝑ Cæsar 1747	1085	11	33	5777	15	44

		By Charles Floyer Esqr. & Joseph Fowke to Jacob Salvador or his Assigns.						
[ISF] N 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Vizt.						
		In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads B FS N 4 ꝑ Wager 1748	567	19	75			
		In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads IS N 1 ꝑ Wager 1748	1746	24	40			
						2314	8	35
		By Joseph Fowke to Benjamin Mendes da Costa or his Assigns.						
*BMDC N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Vizt.						
		In full returns for a Box of Amber Beads MDC N 1 ꝑ Salisbury 1746	863	5	22			
		In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads ✡ N 25 ꝑ Houghton 1746	348	18	64			
		In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads M S B N 4 ꝑ Wager F 1748	1049	31	16			
						2261	19	22
		By Nicholas Morse Esqr. & Joseph Fowke to Natal Levi Sonsino or his Assigns.						
S F ... N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads SF N 1 ꝑ Cæsar 1747				842	32	50
		By Joseph Fowke to Natal Levi Sonsino or his Assigns.						
F N B ... N 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads F N B N 3 ꝑ Royal George 1745.				268	32	—
		By Joseph Fowke to Joachim Moses or his Assigns.						
R E N 2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a chest of Silver RE N 2 ꝑ Eastcourt 1747				138	5	69
		By Joseph Fowke to John Horne Esqr. or his Assigns.						

IH	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value				385	14	65
			By JOSEPH FOWKE to THOMAS WATERS or his Assigns.						
IW	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds value				428	29	55
			By SOLOMON SALOMONS to ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO or order.						
[mark] AIF	N 17 & 18	2	Two Bulses of Diamonds Vizt.						
			In full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads [mark] N 130 ꝑ Houghton 1746	2751	18	37			
			In full of the remains of a Chest of Coral Beads [mark] N 132 ꝑ Marlbrô 1746 ...	1017	12	48			
			In full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads [mark] N 130 ꝑ Cæsar 1747	2625	12	62			
			In full of the remains of a Chest of Coral Beads IMF N 23 ꝑ Salisbury 1746 ...	1299	26	53			
							7693	34	40
			By SALAMON SALOMONS to HENRY & PETER MUCTMAN & JOSEPH SALOMONS or Order.						
MS	N 1&2	2	Two Bulses of Diamonds in full returns for three Chest of Silver MS N 1. 2. 3 ꝑ Dragon 1749				8378	21	20
			By SALOMON SALOMONS to ISAAC SIPRUT DE GABAY or order.						
ISDG	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns of a Chest of Silver ISDG N 1 ꝑ Montfort 1749				2375	2	6
			By SALOMON SALOMONS to SAMSON GIDEON or Order.						
SG ...	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return of a Chest of Silver SG N 1 ꝑ Montfort 1749				2035	20	52
			By SOLOMON SALOMONS to AARON GOLDSMID or Order.						
SM S	N 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver SM S N 3 ꝑ Montfort 1749				2444	6	57
			By SOLOMON SALOMONS to ABRAHAM HYMAN LEVY or order.						

AHL N 1 1 One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver AHL N 1 ℘ Montfort 1749 ... ... 1085 — 29

By Solomon Salomons to Samuel Adries Levy or order.

SAL N 1 1 One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver SAL N 1 ℘ Britannia 1749 ... ... 339 19 28

By Solomon Salomons to David Salomons or order.

S
DMR N 1 & 2 2 Two Bulses of Diamonds in full returns for two Chest of Silver S
DMR N 1 & 2 ℘ Britannia 1749 ... ... 4088 35 44

By Nicholas Morse Esqr. to Jacob Salvador or Assigns.

[ISF] N 4 1 One Bulse of Diamonds Viz[t].

In full returns for a Box of Coral Beads M / F S / C N 2 ℘ Houghton 1746	1573	21	57
In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads MS N 1 ℘ Cæsar 1747	1668	16	65
In part returns for a Box of Coral Beads M / FA N 3 ℘ Houghton 1746	831	6	23
In part returns for a Box of Coral M / FS / E N 2 ℘ Salisbury 1746 ...	913	6	36

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By Nicholas Morse Esqr. to Natal Levi Sonsino or Assigns.

B
NS N 1 1 One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads B
NS N 1 ℘ Marlbrô 1746 ... ... 1565 26 73

By Nicholas Morse Esqr. to Benjamin Mendes da Costa or Assigns.

ME N 6 1 One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Box of Coral Beads ME N 1 ℘ Houghton 1746 ... ... 589 31 18

By Charles Floyer Esqr. & Levy Moses to Nathan Salomons or order.

NS ...	N 1	1 One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for 3 Chests of Silver NS N 1. 2. 3 ꝑ Walpole Britannia and Severn 1749.	3776	30	—
		By LEVY MOSES to LEVY & REUBEN SALOMONS or Order.			
LRS	N 7	1 One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for 3 Chests of Silver LRS N 7 & G4LM N 1 & 2 Imported ꝑ Sandwich Somerset & Montfort 1749	4000	—	—
		By LEVY MOSES to AARON NORDEN & SALOMON NORDEN Junr. or order.			
ASN	N 1	1 One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for 4 Chests of Silver ASN N 1. 2. 3 & 4 ꝑ Sandwich & Montfort 1749 ...	2700	—	—
		By LEVY MOSES to ASSUR ISAAC LEVY or Order.			
MP	N 3	1 One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for two Chests Silver GIM N 3 & 4 ꝑ Sandwich & Montfort 1749 ...	1000	—	—
		By LEVY MOSES to FRANCIS CROUSE & HENRY MOSES or order.			
H FC M ...		1 One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Silver H F C M ꝑ Severn 1749	1000	—	—
		By MOSES BEREND HEYMAN to GEORGE ANOLD Esqr: & JOSEPH SALOMONS or Order.			
CAS	N 1	1 One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for 6 Chests of Silver CAS N 1 @ 6 ꝑ Sandwich & Montfort 1749 ...	5000	—	—
		By MOSES BEREND HEYMAN to HENRY MUILMAN & JOSEPH SALOMONS or Order.			
M ✡ S	N 1	1 One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for 5 Chests of Silver M ✡ S N 1 @ 5 ꝑ Dragon 1749	4500	—	—
		By MOSES BEREND HEYMAN to LEVY & REUBEN SALOMONS or order.			
LRS	N 6	1 One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver LRS N 1 ꝑ Somerset 1749	2717	33	—
LRS	N 1	1 One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for ten Chests of Silver LRS N 1 @ 10 ꝑ Dragon Sandwich Montfort & Severn 1749	5000	—	—
MO	N 1	1 One Bulse of Diamonds value	2000	—	—
		By MOSES BEREND HEYMAN to JOHN SERJENT or Order.			

ƗSC	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for three Chests of Silver ƗSC N 1. 2. 4 ꝑ Griffin Sandwich & Montfort 1749	2500	—	—
		...	By Moses Berend Heyman to David Joseph Salomons or order.			
MBH	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Silver MBH N 1 ꝑ Sandwich 1749	1000	—	—
			By Moses Berend Heyman to Aaron & Salomon Norden or Order.			
ASN	N 5	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for two Chests of Silver ASN N 5 & 6 ꝑ Severn 1749	1000	—	—
			By Moses Berend Heyman Aaron Goldsmid or Order.			
AG	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for two Chests of Silver AG N 1 & 2 ꝑ Walpole & Severn 1749 ...	1001	—	—
			By Moses Berend Heyman to Herman Hendricks or Order.			
HH	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver HH N 1 ꝑ Sandwich 1749	849	29	57
			By Moses Berend Heyman to David Levy or order.			
DL	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Silver DL N 1 ꝑ Montfort 1749	738	32	35
			By Moses Berend Heyman to Isaac Gompertz or Order.			
ƗG	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver ƗG N 1 ꝑ Dragon 1749	611	7	72
			By Moses Berend Heyman & Ephraim Isaac to Henry Isaac or order.			
HƗ	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for 8 Chests of Silver HƗ N 1 @ 8 ꝑ Sandwich Montfort & Severn 1749 ...	5000	—	—
			By Moses Berend Heyman & Ephraim Isaac to Messrs. Stead & son John Debonaire & David Joseph Salomons.			
E MBH Ɨ	N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for three Chests of Silver E MBH Ɨ N 1 @ 3 ꝑ Montfort 1749	2500	—	—

		By Moses Berend Heyman & Ephraim Isaac to Joseph Salomons or order.			
IS N 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for two Chests of Silver IS N 3 4 ꝑ Montfort 1749	2000	—	—
		By Moses Berend Heyman & Levy Moses to Benjamin Mendes da Costa.			
M S B N 2 F	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full for the remains of a Chest of Coral M S B N 2 ꝑ Colchester ... ... F	380	11	64
M S FB N 3	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part of the remains of a Chest of M Coral S B N 3 ꝑ Wager ... F	941	18	78
MB N 2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full for a Chest of Coral MB N 2 ꝑ Houghton 1747	1160	2	24
M N 1	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full for the remains of a chest of Coral M N 1 ꝑ Wager	284	19	26
		By Solomon Salomons to Aaron Franks & David Salomons or Order.			
S A F N 9	1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ...	3237	17	.
	66	Bulses Amounting to ... ... Pagodas	143062	20	27

Fort S^t^. David Oct^r^: 9th: 1749

Charles Bourchier
Sec^y^.

Manifest of Sundrys permitted by the President & Council of Fort S^t^. David to be shipp'd on board the Chesterfield for Presents Viz^t^.

By M^r^. Joseph Fowke.

One Parcell directed to M^r^. Archibald Sterling containing Viz^t^.

Cambrick ... ... 4 Peices

Fort S^t^. David 9 Oct^r^: 1749.

Charles Bourchier,
Secy.

List of Papers in the Fort S^t. David Packet to England ℔ Ship Chesterfield.

N 1 General Letter to the Honblo the Court of Directors ℔ Chesterfield dated 9 October.

2	Dup d^o. to d^o. ...	Overland	...	30 August	1749
3	Dup d^o. ... d^o. ...	Overland	...	11 May	1749
4	Dup d^o. ... d^o. ...	℔ Porto Bello	...	22 Febry	1748·9
5	Trip d^o. ... d^o. ...	℔ Lapwing	...	16 Janry	1748·9

6 Invoice of Ship Chesterfields Cargo Amount^s. to 119,818·10·64 Pag^s.

7 Bill of Lading for D^o.

10 Register of Diamonds & precious Stones licensed by the President & Council of Fort S^t. David to be shipd on the Chesterfield Capt^t. Edwin Crater Amo^ts. to P 143062 : 20 : 27.

11 Dup : Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones licensed by the President & Council of Fort S^t : David to be shippd on the Porto Bello Cap^n. Benjamin Fisher amot^s : to Pag^s : 77007 : 17 : 30.

12 Calculate of Ship Chesterfields Tonnage.

13 Dup : Calculate of Ship Porto Bello's Tonnage.

14 List of Packing stuff in 1400 Bales laden on Ship Chesterfield.

15 Duplicate List of Packing stuff on 694 Bales laden on Ship Porto Bello.

16 Manifest of Sundries permitted by the President & Council of Fort S^t. David to be shippd on the Chesterfield for Presents.

17 Cap^n. Edwin Carters first Receipt for 1500 Pag^s. supply'd him agreeable to the terms of Ship Chesterfields Charter Party dated 30 March 1749.

18 Cap^n. Thomas Fields first Receipt for 2500 Pag^s. supplyd him agreeable to the terms of Ship Royal Georges Charter party dated 1 May 1749.

19 Cap^n. George Lindsays first Receipt for 1000 Pag^s : supplied him agreeable to the terms of Ship Pelhams Charter party dated 11 May 1749.

20 Cap^n. Robert Brown's first Receipt for 3000 Pagodas supply'd him agreeable to the terms of Ship Fort S^t. George's Charter party dated 1st. June 1749.

21 Cap^n. Edward Wills's first Receipt for 1000 Pagodas supply'd him agreeable to the terms of Ship Elizabeths Charter party dated 7 June 1749.

22 Cap^n. John M^r. Namaris first receipt for 500 Pagodas supply['d] him agreeable to the terms of ship Rhodas Charter party dated 22 June 1749.

23 Cap^n. William Mortimons first receipt for 1500 Pagodas supply'd him agreeable to the terms of Ship Fort S^t. Georges Charter Party dated 18 September 1749.

24 Cap^n. Francis Fowlers first Receipt for 100 Pagodas supply'd him for the Use of the Companys own Ship Duke Newcastle dated 23 September 1749.

25 Cap^n. Richard Wood's second Receipt for 1500 Pagodas supply'd him agreeable to the terms of Ship Colchesters Charter party dated 8 Nov^r : 1748.

26 Surgeon of Ship Pelham's first Receipt for Head Money.

27 M^r. John Dixon's Paymas^r : to the Royal Train his first Receipt for 4000 Pag^s. paid him in part for Ordnance Stores supplyd the Honble Company dated 6 June 1749.

28 M^{r}. John Dixon Paymas^{r}: to the Royal Train his first Receipt for 3500 Pag^{s}. paid him in part for Ordnance Stores supplyd the Hon$\widetilde{ble}$ Company dated 6 July 1749.

29 M^{r}. John Dixon Paymaster to the Royal Train his first Receipt for 1500 Pag^{s}. paid him in part for Ordnance Stores supply'd the Honble Company dated 6 July 1749.

30 M^{r}. John Dixon Paymaster to the Royal Train his first Receipt for 252 Pag^{s} : $\overset{fa}{15}$: $\overset{ca}{67}$ paid him in part for Ordnance Stores supply'd the Honble Company dated 14th. July 1749.

31 Cap^{n}. Harry Powlets second Bill of Exchange on the Hon$\widetilde{ble}$ the Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy.

32 Cap^{n}. Harry Powlets second Bill of Exchange on the Hon$\widetilde{ble}$ the Principal Officers & Commissioners of His Majestys Navy.

33 Dup: Indent of Woolen Goods &c^{a}. for the Import Warehouse for the year 1750.

34 Dup: Indent of Military Stores dated 14th. Feby. 1748/9.

36 Dup: Indent of Sundrys wanted for the Use of the Armoury dated 14 Feby. 1748/9.

37 Dup: Proportional Estimate for the number of different Shot Carriages & compleat Armaments belonging to a Garrison furnishd with 280 Guns & 30 Mortars.

38 Dup: Register of Marriages, Christnings, Deaths & Burials ending 19 Feby. 1748/9.

39 Dup: Copy of a Letter from M^{r}. William Belsches to the President & Council.

40 List of the Hon$\widetilde{ble}$ Company's Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Choromandel dated 9 Octr. 1749.

41 List of Inhabitants, Men, Women & Children at Fort S^{t}. David & Fort S^{t}. George dated 1 Oct^{r}: 1749.

42 List of Ship Chesterfields Men.

43 List of Ship Chesterfields Amunition & Warlike Stores.

44 Cap^{n}. Benjamin Fishers second receipt for his Packets.

45 Acco^{t}. of Treasure re$\widetilde{c}$d from England ℘ Ship Dragon.

46 Dup: Govinda Chitty & Tenneveroy Pillahs Acco^{t}. Curr^{t}.

47 Dup: Nella Tomby Chitty, Irshapah Chitty & Shamp Tomby Acco^{t}. Curr^{t}.
48 Dup: Irshapah Chitty's Acco^{t}. Current.
49 Dup: Andeapah Moodellaries Acco^{t}. Current.
50 Dup: Nella Tomby Chitty & Sadashava reddes Acco^{t} :Curr^{t}.
} for the year 1748.

51 Dup: Acco^{t}: of y^{e}. Investment for the year 1748.

52 Dup: List of the Revenues for the year 1748.

53 Dup: List of Debts standing out in our General Books ending April 1748.

54 Acco^{t}. of Quick Stock remaining 10 of Octr. 1749.

FORT S^{T}. DAVID
10 Octr. 1749.

CHARLES BOURCHIER
Secr^{y}.

List of Books in the Box Apart.

1.	Consultations & Diaries broken Set ...		Commencing 13 Feby. 1747·8 / Ending ... 31 Decr. 1748.
2.	Letters Recd broken Set		Commencing 13 Febry 1747·8 / Ending ... 31 Decr. 1748.
3.	Letters sent broken Set		Commencing 13 Feby. 1747·8 / Ending ... 31 Decr. 1748.
4.	Cash Book whole Set		Commencing 1 Janry 1747. / Ending ... 31 Decr: 1748.
5.	Fort St. David Journal	WW	Commencing 1st. May 1747.
6.	Fort St. David Leidger	WW	Ending ... 30 April 1748.
7.	Vizagapatam Journal	W	Commencing 1st May 1748.
8.	Vizagapatam Leidger	W	Ending ... 30 April 1748.
9.	Ganjam Journal	W	Commencing 1st. May 1747.
10.	Ganjam Leidger	W	Ending ... 30 April 1748.

Letter to St. Helena, dated October 9, 1749. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, p. 57.*]

To the Worshipfull Charles Hutchinson Esqr.
Deputy Governour &ca. Council St. Helena.

Worshll: Sir & Sirs.

Your Letter of the 11 June 1748 by the way of Bencoolen we have been favourd with & such of the necessarys You therein request as cou'd be got ready We now send You on our Honble Masters Ship Chesterfield & the remains shall follow by a future Conveyance.

The Duplicate of our last comes inclos'd likewise Invoice & Bill of Lading for what we have Laden on this Ship & We are.

Worshll: Sir & Sirs.

Fort St. David

9 October 1749.

Your most hble Servants

Charles Floyer.
Edward Croke.
[*lacuna*].
Richard Prince.
Alexander Wynch.
[*lacuna*].
Thomas Cooke.

Letter to Captain Edwin Carter, dated October 10, 1749. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, pp. 57 and 58.*]

To Capt. Edwin Carter
of Ship Chesterfield.

Sir

You are hereby ordered to repair on board & make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain with the Packet herewith deliver'd you directed to the Honble the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their house in Leadenhall Street, London Which you are to send your Purser ashore with at ye first port you arrive at in England and forward it with all possible Expedition.

In case you call at the Cape it will be acceptable to Govr: of S^t. Helena at which place We Direct you touch for Refreshments that you carry him some Garden Seeds, Plants &c^a. We heartly wish You a safe and speedy Passage. DATED in FORT S^r. DAVID this 10 day of October 1749.

CHAS: FLOYER.
EDW^D: CROKE.
[*lacuna*].
RICH^D. PRINCE.
ALEX^R: WYNCH.
[*lacuna*].
THO^S. COOKE.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY DATED OCTOBER 18, 1749. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, pp. 58–61*].

TO THE HON^BLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONBLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE.

By the Honble Rear Admiral Boscawen who purposes to leave us tomorrow You will receive this Address & it gives Us the greatest Concern to think that we should have Occasion to represent to you that notwithstanding the Peace concluded between His Majesty & the King of France Your Settlements on this Coast are far from feeling its good Effects; Nay, on the contrary are more embroiled then they were even during the War; all owing to the Wiles & artificies of Monsieur Dupleix the French Companys Governour of Pondicherry who has so bitter an Enmity to the English, as not to be able to refrain from showing it, by Committing Acts of Hostility in an underhand manner, though he will not venture to declare openly against Us as your Honours will see by the following Sketch of his late proceedings.

No sooner was M^r. Dupleix certain that the Preliminary Articles of the Peace were certified : & he freed from any Apprehension he might be under of an Attack, but one Sunda Soib (formerly a Moors General) who upon the Nabob his Master being defeated, had retir'd into the Mountains & there liv'd in Obscurity) & whose family had taken refuge in Pondicherry: & were in that place during the whole time of the Siege, began raising Men in the Country, to endeavour to dispossess Anaverdy Cawn the then Nabob, & get the Government of the Province for himself.

M^r. Dupleix pretended to have no concern in the matter but sent out all the Seapoys in the French pay to join Sunda Soib, under the Colour of his discharging them to lessen their Expencies & the Men engaging them to serve him. But when Affairs were brought to a Crisis the March was thrown off & He publickly avowed the Cause of Sunda Soib & sent out 900 of the best Europeans in the Garrison of Pondicherry, with a Detachment of Artillery to join him at Auxilianir.

Soon after this Junction Sunda Soib forced the Nabob to a Battle, wherein by the assistance of the French who gave the turn of the scale, the Nabob himself was kill'd, & his whole Army defeated The Consequence of which has been Sunda Soib, taking upon him the Government of this Province, as Nabob by an illegal Firmaund procur'd from Mustapha Jung, without the knowledge or consent of Nazer Jung.

The first act he did after arriving at this Dignity was the recompencing his good Allies by granting them 42 Villages of the Villanour Country which lay all round this Settlement; and by way of reward to M. Dupleix in particular the following towns & their Revenues have been given to him and his Relations Viz^t.

Coibclong to M^r. Dupleix.
Porto Novo to Madame Dupleix.
Alempara to Monsr. D'Antel his Brother-in-law.
S^t. Thome to Padrie D'lapurification a Relation of Madame Dupleixes.

So that we are surrounded in such a manner, as for the French to have it entirely in their power to stop our trade, or debar us from any supplys of Provisions from the Country; and we have great reason to believe from what has already happen'd they will not be wanting to make Use of this advantage; For the Padres Zeal being either warmer than the other or his Prudence less, could not help discovering himself, by forbidding on the severest Penalties, any sort of refreshments going to Madrass through or out of his Dependances: and by insulting us in other Respects, in so much that at last we were obligd to apply to General Boscowen for his assistance who immediately sent & took the Padre Prisoner: and is bringing him to England to be disposd of as his Majesty shall think proper.

By Letters that were found in the Padres house it appears he was to hasty in discovering himself; M^r^. Dupleix having advisd him to carry things with a fair Face till Sunda Soibs affairs were a little more settled who is & has been some time at Pondicherry; were they are prepairing a Train of Artillery to go on some enterprize; which it is to be wish'd from M^r^. Dupleix's Hint to the Padre may not be design'd against us.

As the Ships are to sail so soon We have not time to enlarge more on this Disagreeable Subject; & our present Situation which we think of great importance to Your Interest for You to be apriz'd off, that if it shall appear necessary to make any complaints of M . Dupleix Conduct towards Us & which we conceive to be directly contrary to what ought to be observed between Nations in Amity with each other Your Honours may be as early as possible in Your Representations: & M^r^. Boscawen who is an entire Master of the whole: has been so kind as to promise to give You any further Information You may want in the matter; or to joyn with You in the complaints if You're pleasd to ask him so to do.

Father René who for many Years past Resided at Madrass being suspected of having acted Traitorously by Us We have requested of the Admiral to take him likewise; as his being turn'd only out of the Bounds of Madrass woud be no impediment to furnishing the French (of which Nation he is) with the intelligence He might receive from the Emissarys He no doubt wou'd have about us, as there are many Churches contigious thereto where he wou'd probably reside for that Purpose We had some suspicion that Father Severini the superior of the Church at Madrass was likewise greatly in the French' Interest, therefore had desired He might accompany Father René to England, but in the Papers taken with the Father Delapurification at S^t^. Thome We discovered he is greatly detested by M^r^. Dupleix on Acco^t^. of his having much regard for us wherefore we have permitted him to reside at a little Church just without the Town.

Having great reasons to imagine that Messrs Barnev[all] & Lametrie have acted very ungenerously by Us We made application to the Admiral for them Likewise to be added to the number of those he took with him in Consequence of which & our orders to Major Lawrence they were seized & on the brink of being shipp'd of, when they desird they might be admitted to bail for their appearance in January to proceed to Europe then being unprepared for so long a passage; which having procured in the Sum of twenty thousand pounds, We complied with their said Request.

As many Persons who resided formerly at Madrass under our protection We are of Opinion have forfeited the same by living under the French ever since the loss of that Place, We have therefore confiscated their Houses to Your Honours use likewise the Romish Churches within that Town & its Limitts.

Althô we have recd no directions from Your Honours for these Proceedings, Yet as Your Interest seem'd at stake We thought We coud do no less than to Act in this manner, & hope to have your Honours Concurrence therein.

Of the Independants We have got to inlist in Your Honours Service about five hundred Men, but to induce them to enter We have been oblig'd to raise four more Companys than Your Honours mention in the Regulation you lately sent Us & have given the same to four Gentlemen, before Lieutenants as without having their own Officers the Men cou'd not be persuaded to enter, & till we came to this Resolution We could get only two hundred of them. Wherefore as it was Hinted

that if We woud give Commissions to the aforesaid Persons, they wou'd bring with them each their Company's, We made no hessitations in doing so as there is at present so great a want of men at all your Settlements among which when We come to divide those We have got here will be not near a sufficiency to Garrison them all therefore hope your Honours will think of sending out more.

Of the Train we have got about thirty Men ; Who are allowed to be as capable Men as any in England.

The Plan of Devy Cotta, General Boscawen carrys with him from whom Your Honours will receive it as he has promised us to deliver it to you.

The 12 Instant sail'd from hence for England Your Ship Chesterfield. The Duplicate of our Letter by which ship comes enclos'd & We shall by the Royal George whom we shall dispatch in few days, send Your Honours the Duplicates of all the Papers she carried. We are.

FORT S^T^. DAVID — HONOURABLE

18 OCT^R^. 1749 — Your faithful humble Ser^ts^.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
[*lacuna*]
RICHARD PRINCE.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
THOMAS COOKE.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED NOVEMBER 2, 1749.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, pp. 61–92*].

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND
TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

1. By this Season shipping we have receiv'd your Honours several Favours under the following Dates Viz^t^. the 18 May, 17 June, 21 July, 2^d^. & 21st. Decr. 4th. and 27 January 1748 and 29 March 1749 together with M^r^. Secretary James's Letters dated the 30th. and 31 Dec^r^ :, 24 January, an[d] 1st. February 1748 And since the departure of the Porto Bello who carried our last General Advices to your Honours under Date the 22^d^. February, We have address'd You under the 11 May and 30 August Overland, also by the Ship Chesterfield whom we had the pleasure to dispatch to You with a Loading on the 9 Ultimo And Conforma[ble] to our Intentions Specified by that Ship We have now the Satisfaction to dispatch to You the Royal George with a Cargo as ℘ Invoice and Bill of Lading enclos'd as likewise to give You the Needfull Account of all Occurences in your Affairs for past Year under the Establish'd Heads and

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING

2. Your Honours have been already accquainted by us in the foregoing Advices of all such of this Season Shipping as have arriv'd here or have yet come to our Knowledge, as likewise of the Violent Storm that happned with us on the 14 of April last, and of the unhappy Circumstances that attend the same therefore we shall not here trouble You with anything further relating thereto.

Cons^ns^. 13 March, 3. We have this Year dispatch'd to China the Pelham, Somerset, Griffin, Rhoda, Royal Duke Sandwich and Montfort as before advis'd of, and have Consign'd them all to their Respective Supra Cargoes with a proportionable Quantity of Treasury on each Ship.

4. Upon the Chesterfields being Discharg'd from His Majesty's Service, as We had no better Employ for Her We Judg'd proper to send Her to Madagascar for to purchase Slaves in Consequence of the reasons given in Consultation as ℘ Margent, and accordingly she saild hence in April, and returned the 9 September but brought no more than (34) thirty four slaves they being all that coul'd be procur'd within the time limited in the Commanders Instructions.

5. By the Directions of the President some time since a new sloop nam'd the Cuddalore of about Seventy (70) Tons burthen has been built at Bombay, and sent hither for your Service the Motive that led Him to direct the same being that he imagind she would have been greatly wanted in the Service of the Squadron had the War Continued which at that time there was no reason to suspect otherwise, but that Occasion being quite remov'd, and the Gentlemen at the West Coast having represented the Speedy want of such a Vessel to supply the Place of the Louisa whom they fear to have been lost in some bad Weather as she was going from Pooloo Pasang to Marlborough She has been accordingly sent thither for the Service of that Coast.

Lrẽ Rec'd N 54.

[6.] In [our] advices of the 11 May We likewise apprized your Honours of having dispatchd this Ship Royal George to Batavia from whence she return'd on the 21 September with a Cargo of Arrack, Timber and Plank after which the Commander having represented that she was a Weak Ship and unfit for Beating against the Monsoons at this time to Bengal as likewise that her going round the Cape in the Winter might be hazardous. For these reasons We Esteem'd it necessary to dispatch her home at this fair Season in preference to any other, having first caus'd a Survey to be made on her finding Her in a fit Condition to take on board her Cargo, And as our Reason leads to think that the best and Strongest Ships ought to be the longest detain'd as being the most capable of Enduring it. We therefore doubt not but your Honours will approve of our Proceeding herein.

Consn. 7th. Octr.

7. The Ships Walpole Britannia Dragon, and Tryal Snow have all been dispatch'd by us to Bengal with supply's of Money for that Place & the Northern Factorys as your Honours will be more fully inform'd under the proper head, the Dragon we should have sent to the Malabar Coast or Bencoolen as your Honours Directed but Understanding from the Advices lately receiv'd from the Gentlemen at Tellicherry that the violent Rains which had fallen with them had Occasiond a great Destruction in their Pepper Plantations. In so much that they had little Reason to hope for a large Quantity of that Article this Season than sufficient for the Compleating of one Ships Tonnage; And being farther Inform'd from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlborough that the Contagious Distemper of the small Pox had raged so vehemently amo[ng] the Natives & Planters in those parts, that it was greatly to be apprehended from the Extraordinary Mortallity which had happen'd among them; there would be but a small Investment to be made with them this Year, which as they inform Us they Judge will scarcely Exceed the Tonnage of their own Store Ship; and for that Reason have been Constrain'd to send over to this Coast the Duke of New Castle as they were in no shape prepared for dispatching her Home as your Honours had directed. Upon these Circumstances we Judg'd it most Convenient to detain the Dragon with Us for the arrival of the Augusta when we intended to have Transported her Broad Cloth on board her and to dispatch her away with that and some Treasure to the Bay but after Waiting till the end of August and finding that the Augusta did not arrive, and Understanding from Vizagapatam that the Tryal Snow on whom we had sent a Supply of Money for the Northern Factory's had passd that Place and gone imediately for the Bay by which accident they were become in great distress and entirely incapable of making the proper advances in their Investment. We thereupon judged proper to dispatch her away Instantly with the necessary Supplys for their Use, and what more Treasure we coul'd then spare was laden on her for the Bay, And as by the Gentlemen of Tellicherrys Advices they were in hopes to be provided with the Tonnage of one Ship We resolv'd on sending the Duke of New Castle thither, and she saild accordingly the 9 ultimo.

Lrẽ Recd N 78.

Lrẽ Recd N 54.

Conn. 10th. July.

Conn. 31st. Augt.

8. Your Honours Snow Brilliant returning safe from Bombay, was dispatch'd to Bencoolen on the 21st. July with the proper supplys for that Settlement.

Conn. 16 Octr. 9. The Fort St. George was made over to Us by the Admiral Boscawen in August and has remaind Ever since going up and down the Coast And as we have no other Occasions for her at present We have judg'd it Convenient as She must proceed to some place or other out of the way of the approaching Season to send her to Madagascar In order to make another Attempt in the Purchase of a Cargo of Slaves, to which end We have sent on her One Mr. Henry Collins whom we take to be a capable Person of such Negotiation And we hope will meet with better Success than in our former Undertaking as we are perfectly assur'd that a number of those People will prove of great Service and be very convenient to Us.

10. The Elizabeth return'd here from Bengal and Madrass on the 5th. Octr: and is now taking in Ballast to proceed to Atcheen where we intend to Order her to lye the Monsoon and to return here in December when we design to dispatch her Home.

11. The Prince William having been sent from Bengall to Bombay and Surat, return'd thence to this Place on the 29 August and after delivering ashore a Quantity of Gunpowder Consignd Us on her from the President and Council of Bombay She sail'd for Bengal on the 6 following.

12. On the request of several of the Europe Commanders we have made them Sundry Advances on Charter Party Terms, and Capn Fowler having apply'd to us for the Supply of one hundred (100) Pagodas for to provide Provisions for himself and Officers, and engaging to be accountable to your Honours for the same We have also Complied therewith and by the Chesterfield forwarded their first Receipts for the same, and in this Packet comes their Second.

Lrs Rec'd N 69 13. From Bombay We are advis'd of the Boscawen's Arrival there on the 2d. August which is the only one of this Season's Shipping We have yet heard to have arrived on that Coast.

14. We beg leave to assure you that we shall pay a strickt Regard to the several directions your Honours have been pleasd to give Us as Specified in your several advices to Us this Season Regarding the speedy sending home your Ships, and the lightning as much as possible the heavy Charge of Demorage that must in Consequence arise from their long Stay in India and were it possible for Us to perform in this Respect agreeable to our Wishes Your Honours might depend on having your Instructions Complied with to your full satisfaction, but since it will doubtless too plainly appear to be quite a Contrary Case as you'l observe that large Disappointments have attended your Investment in all parts. We have only to hope that our Proceedings herein will appear to your Honours in the same advantagious Light It did to Us, when we pursuade Ourselves you will readily grant Us that favourable Construction that We have upon the whole acted as to Us Seem'd most for your Interest, which we can very Sincerely assure You has been the only Principal we have had in View.

15. The Dolphin whom your Honours are pleas'd to place among the Number of those design'd for taking in Pepper at Tellicherry on the West Coast, We are concernd to observe has never yet been heard off.

16. The Tavistock we have already advisd your Honours to have fallen in at Vizagapatam from whence She proceeded to the Bay were she now remains.

17. We have heard nothing more of the Augusta since our advices to your Honours ℘ the Chesterfield.

SECONDLY OF GOODS FROM EUROPE OR FROM ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE DISPOS'D OF AT ANOTHER.

18. In Consequence of the repeated directions receiv'd from your Honours this Season for the sending to Bengal all the Treasure that We could possibly spare We have accordingly taken every Opportunity that offered of sending them a supply, And that your Honours may be more fully satisfied of the Justice We have done

them therein. We have in this Packet sent a List of all that has been receiv'd this Season from the Arrival of the Tarter in January which will exactily make appear the Quantity that has remain'd with Us; and we humb[ly] recommend the same to your Impartial Judgement wether they have the least reaso[n] to think they have not been Assisted to the best of our Abilitys, which by appearance from their Letters and Behaviour they seem Entirely to deny for not Contenting themselves with what we had from time to time sent them which was to the utmost Extent in our Power, They have thought proper to drain Us still further by Granting several Bills on Us which whilst they run only for small Sums We readily complied with; but being very lately tenderd with one for no less than Fifty Thousand (50,000) Rupees in favour of Mr. Charles Brett, His Majesty's Agent Victualler We could not but be much surpriz'd thereat, as such a considerable drain besides other small Bills was what we little expected, however We have taken care to Discharge them though as We apprehend great Inconveniences might attend our so doing as We had but just before made a Calculate of what was necessary for our own Occasions and kept with us accordingly. We judg'd it Necessary for our Security, lest We should not receive any further supplys from Europe a long time to give Bills on them for near about [Coln. 17th. Octr.] the like Sum which we have accordingly done, and flatter ourselves that your Honours will not disaprove thereof.

19. Upon the Receipt of your Honours directions for the providing such Goods as might be proper for the Canton Market to be laden on such Ships as might be dispatch'd thither from hence, We to that end requested the President and Council [Lres Sent N 22 & 25] of Bombay to procure for Us (300) three hundred Candies of Saudall Wood, and to send it round to this Coast by such Opportunitys as might offer which they would have complied with but it was not procurable at that time as your Honours will see [Lre Rec'd N 39] by their Letter to Us. And a Quantity of Tin offering for Sale at this Place We purchas'd about three hundred (300) Candies and Consignd it to China on the Royal [Conn. 31st. Mar] Duke and Rhoda.

20. The Redwood Indented for by the Gentlemen of Bengal a long time since and which we have for this Year past had ready provided at Dourassapatam is for the most part still remaining at that Place, having had no other opportunity of sending them any this Season but by the Ship Success who carried but a small Quantity We fully proposd to have sent them the whole by some of the Europe Shipping, but they arriv'd so late with Us that Year that knowing them to be in Extream want of Treasure We judg'd it Necessary to give them an Imediate Dispatch to the Bay, and design forwarding the Redwood by such Conveyance as are to be procured in January.

21. The Fort St. George returning from Trincomalay where she had been on [Conn: 24 April] the Admirals Service in April The Commander was then directed to land his Madeira Wine and to transport the Lead she brought out on board the Rhoda for [Conn. 30 June] China which was accordinly complied with and turn'd out right.

22. The President & Council of Bombay in order to Ease us as much as lay in their Power from the great Quantity of Tonnage remaining on our Hands thought [Lres Rec'd. N 38 & 51] proper to send us on the Royal Duke two hundred thirty one (231) Bales of Surat Peice Goods and two hundred (200) Bales of Cotton, which was all the Goods they had in their Warehouse Excepting three hundred fifty five (355) Maunds of Surat Putchuck which they had provided for the Dorrington's China Voyage, but it arriving too late for her, they therefore Consign'd it to us by the Tryal Snow, to be sent thither by such Ships as might proceed from hence that way, which We accordingly loaded on the Royal Duke They have likewise been so good to Direct the Chief and Factors at Tellicherry and Anjengo to send Us on the Elizabeth all the Pepper Cardamums and Anjengo Cloth that they might have remaining in Warehouse, But we receiv'd only a Quantity of Pepper by her, and which is part of this Ships Loading. By the Elizabeth we likewise receiv'd part of the Timber and Plank that has been so long lying at Tellicherry and Calicut, and which we have long since stood in great need of. The Iron brought out by the Royal Duke and Elizabeth was landed at Bombay and We have Debted that Presidency accordingly, as We have done for a parcel of Lead they took out of the Brilliant Snow, the same proving Convenient to their present Occasions.

Connⁿ: 5 June — 23. The Import Warehousekeeper having reported that a few Bales of Broad Cloth and Perpets were damaged by the Ratts, We directed the same to be sold at Outcry, as We thought Necessary to do about 24 Pipes of Madeira that was begining to turn Sour, but in both these Articles there will arise but a small loss.

Connⁿ: 10 July — 24. There having been no Invoice come to our hands of the Dragon's Treasure We thout Necessary to send you an Account of it as it turn'd out, by the Chesterfield, and in this Packet your Honours will receive the Duplicate thereof, the whole of which according to the Medium Rate of what receivd by the several other Ships this Season amounting to £58716. 2. 5. We have Credited Account Current London accordingly.

Connⁿ. 17 June — 25. The Broad Cloth your Honours have sent out for this Coast by this Seasons Shipping Linga Chittee has Contracted to take off at the usual Terms of 30 ℘ Cᵗ. he being to have the refusal of any farther Quantity that may arrive here this Year.

26. Besides the Misfortune We have already mentiond in our former advices to have attended your Honours in the late unhappy Storm by the Loss of your Ship Princess Augusta We are farther to accquaint You that She had on board five hundred (500) Bags of Rice which with two hundred and Seventy (270) that was on board the Lincoln was quite Irrecoverable besides three and a half $3\frac{1}{2}$ Garse that lay in Open Banksalls that was wash'd away and rendered Unserviceable On board the Connⁿ. 26 June — Winchelsea was Ninety (90) Tons of Redwood of which we have sav'd about thirty (30) and are still endeavouring to get at more. We have likewise recovered all the Lead that was on board the Lincoln but two (2) Pigs.

Lrẽ Recd. N 54 — 27. By the Duke of Newcastle the Gentlemen at Fort Marlborough Consignd Us five (5) Chests of Treasure and Six hundred and six (606) Peices of Lead, the latter whereof we immediately transported on board the Royal Duke for China and the former we have added to our Occasions.

Connⁿ. 30 July — 28. The Montfort arriving here very late we thought it necessary for her more speedy dispatch being in great Scarcity of Boats to order the Duke of New Castle to lay as close on board as She safely coul'd to receive from her the Broad Cloth &cᵃ. Stores design'd for this Coast and being not furnish'd with proper Godowns for them at this Place the Commander was afterwards directed to proceed with them to Connⁿ. 19 Augt — Madrass, and to land them there which he did; and We hope the reasons we have given will induce your Honours to approve thereof.

29. The Madeira Wine your Honours were pleasd to direct to be Consign'd to this Coast by the Tavistock, We understand has been safely receiv'd by the Gentle- Lrẽs Rec'd N 85 & 86 — men at Bengal part of which was laden by them on board the Tryal Snow, In order to be brought to Us, but that Vessell meeting with some bad Weather off Ballasore was Oblig'd to put back again very much disabled; by which Accident we are at present destitute of that Article but are inform'd that We shall be supply'd therewith from thence in January.

Lrẽs Sent. N 35 — 30. We have had due regard to the several Mistakes and deficiencys that have happn'd in the Bales sent Home from this Coast as set forth in the List transmitted Connⁿ. 11 Sepr. — us this Year an[d] have Causd due Restitution to be made of all that has been short Pack'd at this Place; and have given directions for Observing the same at the Northern Factorys, and We doubt not as the Under Servants and Conicoplys have now been made sensible of the Consequences, they will give no Cause of any farther Complaints of the like Nature.

31. We shall not fail to pay due Observance to your directions for the sending Home a List of your Quick Stock by every dispatch, One of which your Honours will receive by this Ship drawn out in like manner to that you sent us out by this Years Shipping.

Thirdly of Investment

32. We have to accquaint your Honours under this head, that your Investment is for the most part Continued in the same hands as usual but with the difference of having come to an advancd price in most of the Sortments for upon a strickt Connⁿ. 13 March — Examination of the Merchants into the reason of their bringing in so bad a Manufacture the last year they alledg'd it to be entirely owing to the lowness of the

Prices which unless we thought proper to heigthen they were no way to be prevaild on to Engage for a better Fabrick, wherefore we were Obligd to submit to their Terms so far as to promise them the samo Prices as were allow'd in the Year 1743.4. They agreeing on their Parts that the Cloth should be as Good as the Musters of that Year, and to make a proportionable abatement of all that should prove Inferiour thereto.

33. Linga Chitee an[d] Tremungalum have Continu'd to provide the fine Goods at the same price as last Year, as they were not to be prevail'd on to make any abatement and no one offerd to undertake that Branch at a more reasonable Rate. Conn. 13 March.

34. We have as yet receiv'd no more than Five hundred and ten (510) Bales from the Northern Factorys, but had not the Tryal Snow once whom we sent an Early Supply of Money for the forwarding their Investment, Unluckily pass'd Vizagapatam there would have been a great Probability of their making a far more conspicuous Figure, And we still hope they will retrieve that Misfortune by sending us an additional Number. In January as they have been since supplied by the Dragon whom we dispatch'd thither immediately on hearing of the Accident. Since which We have had advices from thence of the Fort St. George Sloops arrival there- Lres Rec'd. N 101.
with the supplys that were intended them ℔ the Tryal.

35. Your Honours were accquainted in our advices ℔ Chesterfield with our Reasons for sending the One hundred (100) Bales of Brown Cloth on that Ship We have therefore only to hope they will prove Satisfactory. Con. 2d. Octr.

36. Upon Receipt of the List of Investment transmitted Us this Year, We immediately contracted with Linga Chitee and Tremungalam Comrapah for the Chay Goods as therein mentiond which We are in hopes to have in readiness to forward to you by the January Ship. Conn. 24 July.

37. In Obedience to the repeated orders receivd from your Honours, We made all possible Enquiry into the Accounts that remain'd outstanding with the Madrass Merchants, but the only information We have yet got regarding thereto is Contain'd in a Letter that We have receivd from Mr. Morse in Answer to one we wrote him on Con 24 July.
that Subject, a Copy whereof is Entered in our Consultations. The Persons indebted are now most of them resorted to Madrass So that we hope the Gentlemen whom we have appointed to mannage your Honours Affairs at that place will shortly have it in their Power to bring them to a just Payment of their Several Ballances.

Fourthly of Country Government

38. The Situation of Affairs in this Province has till very lately appeard to be quite Easy and undisturb'd, from which Circumstances together with the happy Peace that has been concluded in Europe We had just begun to flatter ourselves with the pleasing Ideas of very shortly reaping a most sensible Advantage, and it is an equal disappointment and Concern to Us to find that instead of being Enabled to Entertain You with an Account of that Wish'd for Effect, We are only furnishd with a Subject of a quite contrary Nature such as has rendered the whole Province in a State of Confusion The Cause whereof We atribute to have arose from the Death of the Prime Minister Nazam, who leaving behind him his Son Nazir Jung and a Grandson Nam'd Mustapha Jing the latter of whom immediately pretended to a right in the Succession, but the other not submitting to it, He presently sepperated from Nazir Jings Army and taken his Force round the Province, and Collecting all the Forces he could get to joyn his Cause, He at length acquired a Body of about Thirty two thousand (32000) Men when He met with one Sunda Soib who had been for this 8 Years past a Prisoner with the Morattas but lately set at large and was coming into this Country with a small Force with a design to Rob and plunder where He could in order to discharge his Ransom, this Person Mustapha Jing conceivd to be quite suited to his Interests in the Undertaking he was upon and accordingly fell into a union with him, and soon after conducted Him into this Province, In order to Con 27 July.
subdue the several parts of it with which view they came near to the Capital of this Province Arcot where the then Nabob Aneverdy Cawn giving him Battle was (by the assistance of a Body of French Troops which Monsieur Dupleix

had sent from Pondicherry to join Mustapha Jing and Sunda Soib) unhappily defeated himself Slain and his Army Routed. Upon this Total Overthrow Sunda Soib was immediately proclaim'd Nabob And has accordingly taken on him the Government of the Province. This done they stay'd no longer in Arcot than was just Necessary to settle the Place in a quite Obedience, but they came to Pondicherry to make their Acknowledgements for the Evident Service they had received from their Good Allies, where Mr. Dupleix gave them a most grand Reception with all the tokens of Satisfaction that could be shewn them they remaind there for six Weeks in the most perfect Harmony, and scarce a day past in all the time but We heard of some New Grants and Indulgencies the French have acquired from them and from all Circumstances that have come to our Knowledge it is not to be doubted but they have been Mutually Assiduos in framing all possible Schemes that may be Contributary to the farther Enterprize, and as we have never yet shew'd the least Inclination to side with them, or even so much as to acknowledge the Authority they have assumd being thoroughly Assur'd that the same is Entirely Usurped and must of Consequence be ere long Exterpated and the Government Reestablishd in it's proper Course For these reasons together with the flagrant Invetterracy that still subsists with the French against Us We have sufficient reasons to be fully persuaded that Monsr. Dupliex has been equally Industrious to Stir up their Resentment which We are the more Convinc'd of as Sunda Soib has already Pick'd out the means of making us acquainted with his Displeasure by demanding an immediate
Con. 25 Sepr. Restitution of St. Thom'e or he would shortly let us feel the Effects of his Anger, this Place We must accquaint your Honours We were under an Absolute Necessity to take Possession of, as the only means that could be us'd to prevent a growing and Everlasting Inconveniency that could otherwise have attended your Settlement of Fort St. George for We were Creditably informed the French had for long time been Endeavouring to prevail on the Moors for a grant of that Place with a full design to have erected a Fort and made a Settlement of it, which had they not been Obstructed in, as it lyes so near Madrass (being scarce two Miles a Sunder) it would by the many Artifices they had undoubtedly made use of. In the space of a very few Years have Encroach'd so much upon the Trade of that Place as We humbly conceive would have tended too greatly to Your Honours Prejudice as likewise that of the Merchants there inhabiting And besides this a far greater Evil must Unavoidably have accrued at that small distance and which we are dispos'd to think was the Chiefest Advantage they proposd to themselves from it that is There having a Constant Spy over all our Transactions the ill Consequences whereof it must be needless to set forth after what we have so lately experienc'd, We shall therefore only hope that when this our Proceeding has been Maturely Weighd and Considered, and You have been more Exactily acquainted with all its Circumstances from Admiral Boscawen, whose Advice and Concurrence We have not wanted therein your Honours will be fully Satisfied that nothing but our perfect Zeal to your Interest and the Duty We think Incumbent on Us to Maintain and preserve it on all Occasions, has been the sole Motives that has Induced Us to this Step, and We cant but flatter Ourselves with the Opinion that it will be entirely approvd by You.

39. When We took Possession of the Place there was a Priest under the Name of Father Antonio D'Purification that had resided there for sometime and for whom Monsr. Dupleix had procur'd a Phirmaund from Sunda Soib for him to act as Havaldar, Thô : in reality to be as a Spy over our Actions at Fort St.
Con. 13 Octr George as it appeard afterwards by the Papers that were seizd belonging to him wherein was discovered such a Correspondence to have been carried on between him and Monsr. Dupleix as will Evidently make appear to your Honours that our Suspicions of Him was not without sufficient Grounds These Letters and Papers are all in the Admirals Possession and he promisd Us to give your Honours a Sight of them.

40. How the Consequences of this Affair may end time must determine though as yet no sort of Hostilities has been Committed on Us and we are inclinable to think that if the French would be but Neuter We should have but little to dread on

the Occasion but as We are too plainly satisfied they are in the Opposite interest, We think it Necessary to keep our Guard, and to that purpose have plac'd a Party of Military at all our Redoubts which We hope will be sufficient to prevent any sudden Violences or Surprisals We hear Mustapha Jing and Sunda Soib took their leave from Pondicherry the 25 of September and have been ever since hovering between that and this Place, with their whole Army in which it's Reported they have fourteen hundred (1400) French Europeans besides some Artillery and their Assistance by which it may be concluded they have some grand Design, And We wish it may not prove on Us, not that we are under any great Apprehensions of it being informd by many hands they are Proceeding to Beseige the Town of Treechinipolly at which Place the Younger Son of the Old Nabob, Mahomud Ally Cawn has resorted and is prepairing all the Strength he can Scrape together, In hopes if possible to redres himself of the Injury's done to his Family and Principallity, It is thither We imagine Sunda Soib with his Army at present are destined as the speedy Subduing that Place, And the dispatching of Mahomud Ally Cawn and to become Master of his inestimable Treasure is the only means that can secure him in the Quiet Possession of his former Conquest, and which if he does not shortly Accomplish he is sensible that Nazir Jing will Ee'r long come to his Protection and Assistance, when it is greatly to be wish'd there will be an entire Period to all his Enterprize and He himself be obligd to retire, upon which Reflections as We are Creditably Inform'd that the same Nazir Jing is at this time Actually upon his March hither. We have a great dependance that We shall be soon reliev'd from the Yoke We seem at present under, Otherwise a Dismal Prospect presents itself to Us.

We have in the General been Extreamly Cautious in shewing the least outward Attachment to either Party, but Notwithstanding upon calling to our minds the Service we receiv'd from the Nabobs Army when attacked by the French on the 9 Decr. 1746 and receiving very strenuous Solicitations from the Son Mahomu'd Ally Cawn after his Fathers Death, for to have some Succours and Assistance from Us, Upon these Considerations, as well as being Sensible of the Justice of his Cause, And that we might not be deem'd Ungratefull induc'd Us upon the Receipt of his repeated Entreatys to assist Him with some few Succours Just as a token of our Remembrance, and which we had just then an opportunity of doing in a very Convenient and private manner, for being resolv'd on Discharging all our Seapoys We directed them all to Devy Cotta being about seven hundred (700) in Number with a Lieutenant and thirty (30) Europeans to keep them together at which Place they were deliver'd into Charge of Mahomu'd Ally Cauns Officers and forwarded at his Expence to Him at Treechinoply, and caused it to be Publish'd at the same time that they were dischargd our Service, He has likewise had from Us a few Peices of small Cannon and some Cohorns which is the whole Assistance We have given Him and is all We intend, Our entire Views herein being all designd to Convince him of our goodwill that in Case he should hereafter regain his Right and be made Nabob of the Province as is most likely to beleive he will, We may then reap the Benefit of being entitled to his Favour, As We have already in some measure Experienc'd by his so readily granting Us a Phermaund for S^t. Thome by Virtue of which we hoisted our Colours there the 11 October.

(Con. 2 Oct^r.) (Con. 7 Octr.)

41. Upon this Extraordinary Change of Government, and the turning of affairs into this Precarious Posture We judged it highly necessary to secure to ourselves the best and most Creditable Intelligence of all Proceedings among them that could possibly be Acquired. wherefore as We had remark'd a particular diligence and Assiduity in one Hodjee Addee (a Person of Reputation among them) for giving Us the most constant and true information of all Needfull Occurences that had happend in the Country from the Loss of Madrass, And for which he had never receiv'd any further reward from Us than fifteen hundred (1500) Rupees, We readily came to a Resolution of Engaging him in that Service and Esteeming it to be a Case of great Consequence We at once presented him with the Sum of five hundred (500) Pagodas with a Promise of a farther Gratuity of One hundred (100) Pagodas ℔ Mensem during the time We might have Occasion for his Intelligence which we have good reasons to believe, will Subsist but for few Months and We sincerely hope it may.

(Con. 1st. April.) (Con. 7th. Aug^t.)

Con. 7th. Augt. 42. The late Polligar of Madrass makeing application to Us upon the Re'establishment of that Place to be restor'd to his former Station as there was no Extraordinary Misbehaviour coul'd be prov'd against Him We were in a Perfect Mind to have Gratified Him in his Request with the only Proviso, that as Mulrauze who has been one of the Commanding Officers of our Peons during the whole War, and had behav'd with great Credit and Bravery at the Seige of Pondicherry, as well as on some other Occasions had formerly receiv'd the Eighth part of his Fees It was agreed that he shoul'd now have a right to a Quarter the Additional Eighth being allowed him in recompence of this Services but he the Polligar refusing to Comply Con. 14 Augt. with this our Pleasure, and declaring that He woul'd have the whole or none Upon his giving Us so disrespectfull an Answer and perceiving that he had a very Indifferent Opinion of our Authority We thereupon came to a Resolution of dismissing him, and appointing Mulrauze to that Station, he being Judg'd a Capable Person, and have granted him Power to act Accordingly, the other pleaded that he had a Cowle for it from the President and Council of Fort St. George which Extended to him and his Heirs for ever; and we suppose the Dependance he placed thereon Occasion'd him to shew that Indefference towards Us, but as we imagine those Pretensions can now admit of no Argument since we presume all grants of that Nature are Expired, and are to be deem'd of no further Force from the Loss of that Settlement, it leads us to hope Your Honours will be satisfied with our proceeding herein and more especially as it has freed Us from the Insolencies that might probably attend the Entailment of it.

Con. 10th. April. 22 May. 4 July. 24 do. 7 Augt. 8 Sepr. 30 Octr. 43. We must not hear omitt to acquaint your Honours that for Sundry Motives and Advantages, that presented to the Majority of the Board which your Honours will be fully acquainted with from the several Consultations Notified in the Margin, We have been induc'd to take by Force of Arms the Fort of Devycotta a Seaport in the Tanjour Dominions and is distant about 35 Miles to the Southward of this place. It has a fine River that runs close to it and the Soil alround it yeilds great plenty of Grain, In so much that we are persuaded that when the Extent of the Bounds is properly settled your Honours may be certain of its Producing a Revenue of Ten Thousand (10,000) Pagodas ℔ Annum since notwithstanding the unsettled State it Con] 14 Augt. is now in We have already let it to farm for four thousand Pagodas (4000) for six months only. The Expences of the Undertaking We have great hopes will be entirely repaid Us by the King of Tanjour, having already receiv'd from Him the sum of Fifty thousand (50000) Rupees and are in Expectation of getting as much more We doubt not but Your Honours will have a more particular Account of this Affair from the President and Admiral Boscawen and as the Concurrence of the latter was had therein, We relye on the same being Approv'd, and wait Your Honours Directions regarding it.

Fifthly of Fortifications, Buildings Repairs and Revenues

44. When we address'd your Honours on this Subject by the Porto Bello, We then entertaind great hopes of Compleating before this time the several Works therein Specifyed, And We are now sorry to observe that We have greatly faild in that Expectation which in great measure has been owing to the Scarsity of Materials Con 24 May. and the Extream Difficulty in procuring of Workmen, but more particularly to the loseing our Engineer, having since his departure had no other Person to act in the direction of that Business but one Hugh Macklane that came out in the Military who was bred up a Bricklayer and was Esteem'd by Capn. De Lavaux to have some little Knowledge thereof, which being Considered and he appearing to be a sober and dilligent Man We judg'd him the properest Person that offerd for an Overseer and have accordingly plac'd our dependance on him and the Lieutenant of the Train, as the best & only help that can at present be acquir'd in the forwarding and Inspection of all our Buildings.

45. We have compleated the Horn Work on the North side of the Fort, and about half finish'd the Lunetts to the East & West, the latter of which is now proceeding on in a gradual manner and We judge the Compleating of them and filling up the Covered way will be sufficient to employ our Workmen till we have the pleasure to receive your farther Commands on this Head And in the interim have only to

assure You that the Constant and sincere Regard we have always had for your Honours Interest, will Oblige us still to Continue our utmost care and Industry to prevent putting You to the least unnecessary Expence in all the Progress We may make herein.

46. Your Honours have been already Inform'd in an address we made you Overland the 30 August that your Settlement of Fort St. George was restor'd to us on the 21: of that Month. We have therefore here only to acquaint you that the Condition in which it was deliver'd was so Extreamly Bad, that we apprehend it will require to be Entirely New Fortified, all the Walls and Bastions being Undermined in such a manner that they must in all probability fall down in the Ensuing Monsoon, and It is represented by His Majesty's Engineers and all the Bricklayers that they are no ways to be repaird Neither are they in the least Capable of bearing any Cannon upon them on which last Circumstances We have been Con 8 Sepr.
oblig'd so far to deviate from your directions as to Permitt a Platform that was began by the French to be finish'd, as we are inform'd it tends greatly to the present Security of the Place and We hope your Honours will not be displeas'd thereat, as we conceiv'd it to be absolutely necessary as our Engineer is gone We cannot at this time send you a Plan thereof, but will Endeavour to get one prepar'd with an Estimate of the expence in readiness to send You by the January Ship.

47. The foregoing Reason has likewise oblig'd Us to omit for the Present sending You a General Plan of that Place, but in case your Honours should have any imediate Occasion for it We take Liberty to request your Application to Admiral Boscawen who acquainted Us he had a very Exact one in his Possession and that he will readily Oblige You with a sight of it to whom we must also take leave to refer You for the Plan of Devy Cotta, neither of which have wee been able to prepare as yet from the want of a Capable Person for so doing.

48. The French having divested your Garrison of Fort St. George of all the Serviceable Cannon that where in it except about four, and being unable to supply them therewith from this Settlement We have been obligd to Admiral Boscawen for as many as he could spare us from the Ships in his Squadron the List whereof your Honours will receive in this Packet, as also an Account of the Quantity of Gunpowder and shot receivd from him; For all which we have made your Honours Accountable And as we presume taking the Opportunity of this supply to be much more Convenient than to waite the sending off them out from Europe, as we are not only in Immediate Want, but likewise inform'd they are all Esteem'd to be perfectly Good, We doubt not but your Honours will approve of it.

49. We have taken due Notice of what your Honours have been pleasd to direct in regard to such Grants of Ground as may be given by us in future, in order to prevent any farther Title of recompence to the Inhabitants for any Houses or Buildings that occasion may hereafter require to be levelled, and in Consequence of which all that has been given since the Receipt of your Commands have had the Con 24 July.
Desired Clause inserted in them. And we here take leave to observe that the Information your Honours have receiv'd of the Situation of Mr. Wynch's House has prov'd to be very unjust and Erroneous since upon causing the distance of it to be Do. do.
measured We find it to be in a very direct line 2170 Yards from the Foot of the Coverd Way, and full one thousand distant from the Pillar that were erected by Capt. De Lavaux as a sufficient length for an Esplanade, wherefore as it is evident that it does not in the least Incomode or Obstruct the Defence of the Fort, We have permitted it to remain, and Mr. Wynch flatters himself with a Relyance that upon this Remo[n]strance your Honours will have no objection thereto.

50. As a means to Encourage the late Inhabitants and Merchants of Madrass Con 7 Augt.
to return thither, on the Restitution of that Place We thought it necessary for the first six months to suffer all trade to be Custom free Excepting such Goods as might be Imported from Europe & the Rents of [ye.] Villages We have let to Farm as follows Trivitore &ca. Villages that let before for twelve hundred and fifty (1250) Pagodas ℘ Annum to Linga Chittee for Pagodas thirteen hundred (1300) Egmore Con 14 Augt.

&c Villages the let before for twelve hundred and fifty (1250) Pagodas ℘ Annum to Gruah for Pagodas fourteen hundred (1400) and Peramboor &ca. Villages that produced before Six hundred Fifty (650) Pagodas for Pagodas Seven hundred (700).

51. We have likewise let out to Farm all the Grounds of DevyCotta to our Bound Renter Sadashavarow for the half Year only, who is to pay four thousand (4000) Pagodas for the same.

Sixthly of Factors, writers Military Officers, and their accounts

52. The first thing that presents to our notice under this Head is the Suspension of Mr. William Holt, our Reasons for which your Honours have been already appriz'd of in our address by the Chesterfield (on which he took his Passage) and will more largely appear in the Consultations herewith Accompanying therefore we shall hear only acquaint you that the Vacancy which thereupon happened at our
Con 19 June. Board was immediately supplied by the Re-Accession of Mr. Thomas Cooke who being the next Person Entittled thereto according to your Honours Commands in the 19 paragraph of your letter dated the 27 January 1747 In Consequence thereof and the deserving Opinion We Conceiv'd of him from the Faithful Discharge he gave of his Duty when in Council before, We readily conferr'd it upon him, and persuade ourselves that he will behave In all Stations to your Honours satisfaction. Upon taken his Seat in Council he was appointed Import Warehousekeeper and Tevenepatam Customer and to continue the Post he before had of Military Paymaster in all which employs he at this time acts.

53. A few days after this Appointment arrived the Walpole who brought us your Honours favour of the 27 January wherein you were pleas'd to direct and Empower us to Entertain and Re'establish the Madrass Servants in their former
Con 2d. July Standing in your service under the present Council which we Instantly Signified
4 do. 10 do. to them an[d] in this Packet have sent your Honours a General List of Servants by
17 do. which you'l perceive how many of them have accepted of it, Messrs. Goodwin, Fowke,
24 do. Boddam, Powney, Greenhaugh, and Jones, have absolutely rejected it as by their several Answers Entered in Consultations, None of them having any other Reasons for it as we presume, they being all Senr. Servants, but a Nation of your Honours having done them Injustice in not giving them their due Rank among the Council, Esteeming themselves to be equally entitled with Us thereto, but this We humbly recommend to your Serious Consideration, and shall most willingly submitt Ourselves to your Impartial decision therein.

Con 3d. Mar. 54. A complaint having been brought before Us by Mr. Francis Fordyce for an
13 do. Asault that was made on him by Mr. Robert Clive A due Enquiry was made by Us into the same. In the course of which it appearing that Mr. Fordyce had given great Provocation for such Proceeding, by having frequently Scandiliz'd his Character in a most unsufferable manner, and being further acquainted that he had at several times taken great Liberty's in his Conservation in making use of many unbecoming Reflections on the President and all the Members of the Board, In Consequence of this his Aggression and Disrespect together with the many Instances We have had of his Insolent and Medling disposition We came to a Resolution of suspending him, your Honours Service, And besides the reasons already given for our so doing We might still add that He was in General remark'd to be extreamly Negligent and remiss in the several Duties of his Functions particularly in the Burial of the Soldiers and Seamen which part of his Office he scarce ever attended Notwithstanding he had been twice or thrice Rebuk'd by the President for not doing and which neglect had at length began to Create great Discontent in our Military, We therefore presume that upon a due Consideration of all these Circumstances your honours will Concur with Us in the Measures We have taken herein, In which dependance We shall only add as It is not to be doubted but Mr. Fordyce will set forth his own Story to your Honours and least the same should be to Mr. Clives Prejudice, We think it not improper to assure You that he is Generally Esteem'd a very quiet Person and no ways guilty of Disturbances.

55. After the Dismission of Mr. Fordyce as we were then without any Chaplain We thought proper to entertain the Reverend Mr. Robert Palk who has been many Years Chaplain to Mr. Boscawen and was strenuously Recommended by him. Con. 31 Mar.

56 It having been represented the Want of an Assistant at Ingeram and seeing no farther Occasion for the Continuing of Mr. Alexander Baird at Pulliacat, We thought proper to remove him thither. Conn. 29 Mar.

57. And as there was no Person to take Charge of your Honours Effects at Ganjam in Case any accident happening the Resident Mr. John Andrews We thought necessary to send to his Assistance Mr. Thomas Heath, being first Inform'd from Capt. Delavaux that he had no Turn for Improvement in the Service your Honours had design'd him. Conn. 29 Mar.

58. In Consequence of your Honours directions for Establishing a Military Paymaster and Storekeeper Out of some of your Covenanted Servants Mr. Thomas Cooke was appointed to the former and Mr Henry Cope to the latter, but Mr. Cope dying soon after (Even before he had taken Charge thereof) that Employ has been since Conferred on Mr. John Pybus who now Continues therein. Con 28th. Feby. Con. 16 May.

59. Being vastly distress'd for Writeing Assistants having far from a sufficient Number of Covenanted Servants, We have therefore been oblig'd to Entertain Mr. James Bourchier and Mr. Peter St. Paul as monthly Writers, whom We take the Liberty to recommend as deserving of being Entertain'd Covenanted Servants in your Service. Con. 24 May. Con. 24 July.

60. In Obedience to your Honours Commands for Mr. Morses Return to Europe, We communicated the same to Him, and he has deliver'd us his Answer wherein he proposes to proceed accordingly by the January Shipping, And as we judg'd him to be the most Capable Person of giving us any insight into your Honours Affairs at Madrass We at the same time requested Him to give Us the best Information he cou'd regarding the Moneys that was taken up after the Surrendry of that Place, likewise of the Uses it was applyed to with what Debts might have been outstanding at that time, but to all this he could give Us but a very Concise Reply as your Honours will be pleas'd to Observe from the Coppy of his Letters Entered in Consultations. Con. 24 July.

61. After the News of a General Peace was Confirm'd to Us, We immediately recalld our several Residents from the Dutch settlements, And upon receiving Application from Mr. Jones for a Gratification on having acted in the like Service at Tranquebar for the space of twelve Months and the President having Assertain'd that he had receiv'd the most Intelligible advices from him of any other, We thereupon directed him a Present in proportion to the Allowance made to our Resident at Negapatam. Con. 10 July.

62. Mr. John Pybus upon taking Charge of his Post of Military Storekeeper, having address'd the Board, Representing the Extraordinary Diligence and Fatigue that woul'd be required in the Faithfull Discharge of that Employ, and requesting some Additional Pay for the same as we were satisfied of the reasonableness of his Pretensions, And the Major having signified to Us that the Kings Allowance for it was ten Shillings ℘ Day, We thought proper to direct him a Gratuity of twenty (20) Pagodas ℘ Mensem. Conn. 31 Augt.

63. Your Honours having nominated Mr. Willm. Holt one of the Commissaries for receiving Fort St. George, as he was suspended your Service we appointed Mr. Foss Westcott Commissary in his Stead, who together with Major Lawrence and Mr. Wynch were first Deputed to wait on Monsr. Dupleix and Superiour Council of Pondicherry to request from them a speedy delivery of the Place, and fix upon a day for their Evacuating the same as likewise to Agree upon the Forms that shoul'd be observ'd therein after which they return'd here, and Proceeded to Madrass where all Circumstances were perform'd accordingly, a Copy of their Proceedings both at Pondicherry and Fort St. George is Enclos'd in this Packet. Con. 24 July.

64. In Consequence of the Rules transmitted Us by your Honours for the Regulating of the Military : and Company of Artillery, we form'd in the Month of March Seven Companys of Military one whereof Granidiers And the Command of 23 Febry.

them were given as follows, The first Company to Major Lawrence, the 2 to Capt. Crompton the 3d. to Capt. William Henry Southby, the 4 to Capt. John Scrimsour, the 5 to Capt. James Cope the 6 being the Granidier's to Capt. John Dalton and the 7 to Capt. John Clarke, And as it was the advice and Opinion of General Boscawen and Major Lawrence those Companies would be at least requir'd for the Garrison of this Place and Cuddalore and that too but a very Insufficient Complement Upon a mature Consideration thereof We could no ways propose to support the Garrison of Vizagapatam out of them without greatly distressing and rendering your Honours Affairs very Insecure at this Settlement It was therefore deem'd a Case of Necessity to Establish the Company that was there Extraordinary, and accordingly have Continued it under the Command of Capt. Peter Love.

65. The Company of Artillery remains as yet very Incompleat, having found it very difficult to procure persons Qualified for that Service We Endeavour'd all We coul'd to prevail on those in His Majesty's Train to Enter with Us and as a great Encouragement to Induce them thereto, We agreed as the Pay directed in
Con. 7 Augt. your New Regulations was somewhat less than is allow'd in His Majesty's Service
to allow 4d ℘ diem more to each Gunner and to give one Shilling ℘ Diem to all Matrosses but all would not tempt them And not above twenty Six came over to us.

66. Captain Lawrence Witherington and Serjeant Henry Learner whom your Honours had directed to be Entertaind in our Company of Artillery Major Mosman has detain'd on the Bengall Establishment, Agreeable to the Permission he had for so doing.

67. Of the several Lieutenants that we had Entertained in this Company at the beginning of the War As they were all of them taken from the Seafaring Way under a Promise that they should have it in their Option to return thereto In Consequence thereof Messrs. Burman and Petch have at their Request since the Peace been permitted to return to that Service, To the former of whom we have
Con. 24 May. given the Command of the Brilliant Snow and to the latter the Cuddalore Sloop,
Mr Hugh Flinn Dyed on the 9 March and Mr. Henry Collins We have lately
Con. 16 Augt. appointed Supra Cargoe of the Fort St. George to Madagascar for to Purchase
Slaves, which were induced to do as We could place no Dependance on the Present Commander of that Ship for any Negotiation of that sort, by which Dispersion We have at this time only left Mr. Thos. Savage and Monsuier Dumarchais who was
Con. 7 Augt. Recommended by Mr. Boscawen being a Protestant, for the entire managing and Conducting of that Company.

68. We have now to acquaint You that Capn. Delavaux on whom your Honours had repos'd a Dependance for the direction and Management of your Buildings and
Con. 24 May. Artillery did for some Unknown Reasons Desert our service on the 24th May
proceeding directly to Pondicherry from whence We are inform'd he Embarked for Manilha. He had sometime before requested our Permission to retire a little from the Business of his Employ under a Plea of indisposition, which was readily granted him, and the Lieutenant of the Train Ordered to take Charge thereof, till he was sufficiently recover'd to Undertake it again And in all Respects he was particularly Indulged and well treated which makes Us Entirely Strangers to the Cause he had for leaving Us, And can only attribute it to the unhappy Accident that had happen'd to him In having been the Death of one of His Majesty's Subjects which may be suppos'd he could never reflect on without much Uneasiness.

Con. 28 Feby. 69. Upon the Strenuous Advice and Recommendation of Major Lawrence for the still Continuing some of our Topasses in the Service In order to releive the Europeans from Duty in the violent heat of the Day We have therefore for that reason as likewise upon Consideration of the small strength of our Garrison been constraind for present, to deviate from your Honours directions therein, and have accordingly Entertain'd them @ 10d ℘ Diem which the Major judges to be a proportionable pay to the Europeans till you are pleas'd to direct the Country.

70. The New Establish'd pay which your Honours have directed to be allow'd to all your Officers and Soldiers was Introduced the 1 March and with which they seem much satisfied.

71. Since the last Information we gave your Honrs. of our Military Preferments A number have happen'd which we imagine woud be needless to relate here, therefore We take the Liberty to refer you to the Consultations and Book of Commissions herewith Accompanying for further Satisfaction in that Matter.

72. In Pursuance to your Honrs. Instructions for Reinforcing your Garrisons with Military out of His Majesty's Marines and the 12 Companies of Independants under the Command of General Boscawen We accordingly took an Opportunity before the Squadron departed hence for Madrass to Enlist all that coul'd be prevail'd Con. 14 Augt.
on to Enter your Service giving them the Bounty your Honours directed But to our great concern and Surprize We could then prevail on no more than 56. And though a second attempt was afterwards made on them at Madrass Yet there was only Con. 12 Octr.
Eighty more could be prevaild on at that Place Finding therefore that We had got 16 do. Lre Recd.
all that was possible, and knowing it would be the last Opportunity We should have N 95.
as the General was then upon the Brink of Sailing with the Squadron for Europe and further judging them to be a very Insufficient Number for the supply of your several Settlements, And more particularly the Merchants and Inhabitants of Fort St. George having express'd such great uneasiness at the small Garrison they were like to have, as to Intimate an Unanimous Resolution to quit the Place and seek Protection in other parts for the several Motives together with the Sudenness of the Squadrons departure which would admit of no time for making Application to Us, The Gentlemen there acting being Major Lawrence and Mr. Westcott were tender'd under a great loss how to proceed, but at length after a due Weight of Circumstances they Conceiv'd it absolutely Necessary to think of some other Expedient to raise a greater Number, & it being intimated to them that in case they would grant Commissions to some of their Officers that a great part of the Men woul'd come with them. Upon which they promis'd Commissions for Captains to four first Lieutenants and to take a Lieutenant and Ensign with each Company, which so far took Effect as to procure Us four more Companys which together with those We had before raised In all amounted to five hundred Men (500) besides what have Entered in the Train, but out of such a small Number we cannot supply your other Presidencys, for if we did We should have but a very few of them left upon this Establishment, and humbly conceiving that the Garrison We have to defend will be greatly distress'd in Case of the Breaking out of War at home or even with the Country Powers here in India both which We presume to be very precarious We therefore think it our duty to repeat the Request made you in our last that a farther Reinforcement may be sent us by all opportunitys And as we doubt not but your Honours will be more particularly acquainted of the Necessity there is for it, From the private Advices you will undoubtedly receive from the President and Major Lawrence on this Subject, as also what you will hear from General Boscawen, We shall here avoid troubling you with a further enlargement thereon.

73. None of His Majesty's Marines could be prevaild on to stay with Us as Con 10 July.
they had most of them large Off reckonings due to them in England far Exceeding the Bounty your Honours had directed for them which Inclined them all to proceed for Europe. 29 do.

74. Upon Receipt of your Commands for Breaking the Troop, We had agreed to dispose of them all but Fifty which the General had requested might attend him to Fort St. George but the Country having since falling into Commotions. We have judg'd it absolutely necessary not to dismiss them till the Country is more settled which we hope will E'er long come to pass.

75. The Major having represented to the Board that as it was near the End of the Year the Stoppages which were to be made from the pay of such Recruits as might be raisd from the Independants would not be near sufficient to pay for their Cloathing and having inform'd Us at the same time that it was always usual in the Kings Service when any new Troops were rais'd to give them their first Cloathing Con 7 Augt.
We therefore thought it Necessary as the Independants were greatly in want of it, to direct the Military Paymaster to prepare their Cloathing and to Collect in all the Off reckoning that because due from them for this Year on your account and for as much as it may prove deficient We have orderd to be at your Honours Expence.

Con 28 Augt. 76. Captain William Henry Southby upon the Confirmation of Peace and seeing no further probability of Service Requested our leave to resign his Commission in which he was imediately indulged and as the Major has remain'd Ever since at Madrass that Company continues still Vacant.

Con 11 Sepr. 77. The Gratuity your Honours have been pleas'd to direct might be paid to Lieutenant Peter Eckman We have accordingly Complied with though if we might be permitted to speak our Opinion We think him very undeserving thereof, since from several Authors We are Creditably Informd he behav'd very ill during the Seige of Madrass which were the Entire Motives We had for taking no Notice of him since.

78. The Major having been long since absent It has not yet been demanded of the Gentlemen late Servants at Madrass, whom we Entertaind as Officers in the Military after the Loss of that place being at that time greatly Necessitated, wether they will Continue therein, or return to their former Service, but so soon as the Major Returns, We shall require their final Answer thereon, and by the next opportunity Inform your Honours how they are dispos'd

79. Mr. Edward Edwards and the Revd. Mr. Swinfen Arriv'd here last Month, upon the Severn whom together with Messrs. Walsh and Sloper We have Entertain'd as your Honours have directed.

Con 18 Sepr. Do. 23 Octr: 80. Your Honours Command regarding the several Servants on this Establishment having never yet Executed their Covenants are now strictly complied with by all such Servants as are with Us that have not executed them before as Your Honours will Observe from the several Covenants return'd in this Packet, And they with the several other Persons mention'd in the List to have never before given the proper Security, have Nam'd such of their Friends as they hope will stand for them, as mentiond in Consultation And have Accordingly wrote them to that Effect, the rest of the blank Covenants that are remaining with Us We shall take care of, for such other of your younger Servants to Execute as may from time to time Arrive of Age.

81. By the Death of Mr. John Duncombe and the Relinquishment of Mr. Charles Hopkins from Entring your service, We are at Present left Destitute of a Capable Person for Sub Accomptant as there is none in your service that can be spared from their other employs who are fitt for it. We were willing to have station'd Mr. Sloper that Office but He being at this Juncter Engag'd in many Different Services He cannot immediately Extricate himself from them, so as to Undertake an Employ of so much attention Nevertheless he has promisd to Contribute all he can by Inspecting into it at all Opportunity's, The Sub Accomptantship is at present repos'd on Mr. John William Speck, but We apprehend him to be
Con 14th. Augt. of no further Use therein than to take care of the Papers &ct. and to see that the other Assistants in that Office follow their Work.

82. Since our last address to your Honours under the 18 ultimo by Admiral Boscawen finding Ourselves in a quiet and Undisturb'd possession of Fort St. George, and Judging that it will be again a Place of great Trade & Business, and that an Investment may be shortly Commenc'd provided proper Encouragement is given to the Merchants and Inhabitants of that place, We have taken into Consideration the directions your Honours were pleas'd to give Us thereon in looking upon that place as a Subordinate Settlement till further orders, and to send such Persons there as are Necessary to invite and Encourage Trade and Accordingly in Consultation We
Con 20 Octr. appointed Mr. Richard Prince Deputy Governour Mr. Richard Starke second, Mr. John Smith third Mr. William Smyth King fourth, and Mr. John Walsh fifth of Council, who will proceed for Madrass soon after this Ship's Dispatch.

83. In regard to procuring a large quantity of Peice Goods thereabouts, as well as of the fine sorts, and some Bales of Every kind of Muslins, we shall endeavour to Comply with your directions therein as near as possible but we judge it highly necessary to have all the Goods provided thereabouts Sorted & Cur'd there as We have scarse Washers & Beaters for the Cloth that is procured here, and it has always been much better done at that Place.

84. As Fort St. George is much better Situated for Dispatch of Business of all kinds than this Place, We take the Liberty of recommending it to your Honours to make that Place again the Presidency for the following Reasons.

85. The want of proper Warehouses at this Place to keep the Companys Effects in has Oblig'd Us to keep a great part of our Stores at Cuddalore Under tiled Roofs, by which they often receive Damage and for the same reason we are under a Necessity of sending our whole Stock of Grain to that Place which being a full Mile from the Fort is extreamly inconvenient and may prove of bad Consequence in case of troubles with European or Country Powers.

86. That our Boats, by the River being greatly Choak'd up with sand, and the Communication with the Sea not being open above one third of the Year within our Bounds, they can but seldom make but one Trip daily to the Shipping and back again, besides many other smaller inconveniencies attend this Place by the Conicoplys and Merchants being oblig'd to live at a great distance from the Fort, whereas at Madrass Business may be done within a small Compass fine Commodious Warehouses being near the Sea Side, and the Boats in good Weather will make six or eight Trips to and from the Shipping daily we must further add the great affection the Black Merchants have to that place, who will not be prevaild upon on any Account whatever to leave it, and come and settle here.

87. We hope these reasons will induce your Honours to Establish that Place in it's former Condition and We take the Liberty of Advising that the same will be Recommended You by Admiral Boscawen.

88. At Present we have only taken off the Customs at that place for six months, but before that time expires, beleive shall be under a Necessity of prolonging the time for six Months more (as the greatest part of that already given is the Monsoon during which little or no Business can be done) as a farther Encouragement to the Inhabitants there, and for the same reason we shall not as yet let out the Farms excepting the Villages, but waite a proper Opportunity when it can be done with more advantage to the Company than offers to Us at present. Con 7th. Augt.

89. We have also thought proper to Publish an Order that none of the black Inhabitants shall be molested for the Term of one Year for any Debts Contracted by them before the Loss of Madrass for the reasons mentioned in Consultations. Con. 16 Octr.

90. Upon this Appointment of Mr. Prince and the Gentlemen for Madrass Mr. Wynch is again remov'd from being Customer of Cuddalore to take Charge of the Paymasters Employ as likewise that of Import Warehousekeeper and Mr. Thomas Cooke order'd to Cuddalore in his Stead Mr. Foss Westcot remains Storekeeper and will again take into his Charge the Tevenepatam Customs Con 20 Octr.

91. In the Room of Messrs. Starke & King who acted as upper and under searcher at Cuddalore, We have appointed Mr. Robert Sloper to act therein. Do. Do.

92. Mr. Andrew Munro who was the former Surgeon of Madrass, We have reinstated at that Place.

93. Our Surgeons Mate that was station'd at Deve Cotta to attend on that Garrison being so ill as Oblig'd him to return here, And having no other of that Profession to supply his place we thereupon Entertaind Mr. James Wilson as Surgeon who came out by the Severn with your Honours Recommendation for the first vacancy, and sent Him thither. Con 2 Octr.

94. We shall not Neglect to Cause due Obedience to be Observ'd among your Younger Servants and to Oblige them to as strickt Compliance with their Duty in the respective Offices in which they may be stationd, And such of them as may shew a Disregard to our Orders We shall not fail to suspend your Service and send Home by the first Opportunity the great distress We are in for Writeing Assistants havg: greatly impeded that Business we think it Necessary to request that a farther Supply of Servants may be sent us the next Season.

We have taken due Notice of your Honours remark Regarding the Spirit of Gaming and shall make it our particular care to Check such a Pernicious Habit in any of your Servants that may appear inclinable thereto, though as we cannot learn of anything of that sort having been Practisd for a long time past We apprehend

Your Honours Information hereon has been very ill Grounded, or otherwise the Persons Addicted must have long since Absented, since we can venture to assure You to the best of our Knowledge there is no such vice now in the Place.

Con 3d Mar: At the request of Messrs. Mandevill and Goodere for an advance of two hundred (200) Pagodas, we supply'd them therewith they having agreed to be accountable to your Honours for the same.

Seventhly of Accounts

96. The Commands your Honours have been pleasd to give Us for the sending Home such Madrass Books and Papers as were usually transmitted Annually from that Precidency, arriv'd with Us so lately that it has prov'd an Impossibility to prepare them in readiness for this Ship, neither have we been able to get any farther Information concerning the money Transactions of that Place than what We have already mention'd in the foregoing part of this address, as likewise in our former Advices on this Subject, but we hope by the January Dispatch to Execute your Orders more Exactily herein, and in the Interim beg leave to assure you that our utmost Endeavours shall not be wanting to Accomplish the same and for your Present Satisfaction We have thought Necessary to send you in this Packet the Copys of such of the Madrass Consultations till the 31 June, and the Cash Accounts from that time to February 1746-7 Mr. Morse has transmitted and which we now likewise send your Honours.

Con 20 Octr. 97. For a farther Satisfaction in regard to the Accounts that were left Unadjusted by Mr. Rosewell, We must beg leave to refer You to a Letter that Mr. Morse has lately address'd to the Secretary on that Subject which is Entered in Consultation and is all the knowledge that can be had therein.

Con 15 March. Con 16 Octr. 98. Upon Receipt of the Madrass Church Leidger Messrs. Prince, Wynch and Westcott were appointed a Comittee to Examine into that and the Charity School Stocks, as likewise to collect in all the Moneys that might appear due thereto, and in Consequence thereof they have delivered us in a Report as Entered in Consultation, by which your Honours will observe that the several Parties concern'd seem dispos'd to Evade any Payments till a Power of Chancery be acquired for the giving of due Acquitances for the same.

Con 10 July 99. In Consequence of your Honours Directions We have Discharg'd Coja Miquells Bond which is the only Payment we propose to make of any of the Madrass Demands, till We receive your particular Instructions thereon.

Con 24 April. 100. Upon the scarcity of Gold and Pagodas, and the daily Increase in the Exchange of Rupees, It reduc'd Us to great Inconveniencies to pay our Military and Garrison Charges, which led us to a Resolution of making the Rupees the Current Coin at (350) three hundred and Fifty ℔ One hundred (100) Pagodas and to make all Payments and Receipts at that Rate which has been kept in Practice ever since that 1st. May last.

Eighthly of the West Coast

Lres Rec'd N 54. 101. We have to accquaint your Honours under this Head that a very small Progress is to be feard will attend your Investment in those parts this Season for the reasons already given in the 7 paragraph of this Letter which affords Us much Concern, They have been sent the necessary Supplies for their Use by the Ship Success, Brileiant Snow and Cuddalore Sloop, All which We hope has arriv'd safe with them.

Lre Rec'd N 54. 102. By their Letter to Us as Notified in the Margin We are advis'd of great and Insufferable Indignities that have been offered to their Trade from the Dutch, which Occasiond us immediately to apply to General Boscawen to take the same into Consideration and to procure Us Redress, whereupon he was pleasd to write to the General of Batavia thereon and We hope it has had the Dessir'd Effect.

103. In Consequence of your directions regarding the Dutch Pretensions to an Exclusive Trade in Ophium throughout the Streights of Mallaca and other Eastern Ports, We have thereupon caus'd it to be Inserted in the several Commanders Instructions that have sail'd that way this Season to repel Force by Force all

Violences that may be Committed of that sort on any Ships or Vessels that are under our Passages, And have Notified such our Intentions at the several Gates of this Place and Cuddalore as likewise directed it to be Publish'd at our several Subordinates.

NINTHLY TOUCHING THE CHARTER.

104. We observe what your Honours have signified to Us on this Subject and till we are properly Authoriz'd shall decline having any thing to do with the several Complaints and Causes that have been or may be brought before Us. Lre From Engld. 29 March 1749.

TENTHLY CONCERNING THE FRENCH AND OTHER EUROPEAN NATIONS IN INDIA

105. It was an Unspeakable satisfaction to Us to receive the News of a happy Peace being Concluded with all the Powers concern'd in the late War, And on the 25th Sepr: His Majesty's Proclamation thereof was publickly read to all our Garrison, with all due form and Ceremony.

106. We have little further to prolong on under this Head, but what has been already mentiond only to inform You of the Ships that have Imported at Pondicherry this season from Europe which are as follows Vizt. Le Raulier, Le Prince, Le Paix, and the Marshall de Saxe the three former We are inform'd left the Bulk of their Cargoes at Mauritius and the latter arriv'd about the end of September with fifty (50) Chests of Treasure and some Goods for the Coast & Bay.

107. In our address by the Admiral We acquainted your Honours with having Directed the sending to Europe the Fathers Severini & Re'ne also Messrs. La Metre and Barnevill our Reasons for which will be fully made appear by our Consultations, and Mr. Boscawen to whom beg leave to Refer You. Con 2d. Sepr.

ELEVENTHLY OF HIS BRITTANNICK MAJESTYS SQUADRON

108. The 28 September saild His Majesty's Ship Sheerness for the Cape, and the Bomb Ketch on the 30th for England. The 19 Ulto: likewise saild Admiral Boscawen for Europe In the Exeter taking with him the following Ships of His Squadron, The York, Deptford, Chester, Harwick Eltha[m] Deal Castle, And Young Eagle We have now left in India The Vigilant, Ruby, Tartar, Syren and Swallow Snow under the Command of Commodore Lisle who in the Vigilant saild to the Eastward the 21st. following, All the rest have been dispatchd to Bombay, but the Swallow who is gone for Bengall.

109. We have receivd from General Boscawen sundry supplys of Ordnance stores being much in want thereof, The several Lists of which together with all other Accounts relating to the Squadron are Enclosd in this Packet. Con 24 April 29 Do.

SUPPLEMENT

110. Captains Baron and Nanfan having made us a Tender of such part of the Stores as they had sav'd from the Winchelsea & Lincoln for the Companys Use We thereupon accepted of the Guns and their Appurtenances that were belonging to each Ship they being Esteem'd to be perfectly Good for which We have given Receipts to the Respective Captains, And have left it to Your Honours to decide and Account for their value.

111. Before Capt. Lindsay saild from hence, he delivered Us a Petition to be paid the Charges He was at when at the Cape for Maintaining the sick Military he brought out that were sent ashore for the Benefit of their Health at that Place, but as We had never before a Precident of that kind We did not think proper to grant his Request. Con 7 May.

112. The several Officers of the Lincoln and Winchelsea after the loss of their Ships delivering us a Letter, setting forth their Misfortunes and the Necessity's they were under and requesting from Us Some Allowance to subsist on till an Opportunity offered for them to proceed for Europe on a due Consideration of their Circumstances We orderd each of them Eight Pagodas ℔ Month, to be Continued no longer than they could be provided with a Passage; which is Entirely Ceased from the end of June they having all of them left Us. Con 7 May 22 do.

113. Mr. Samuel Worrill having been detected lately in a Private Correspondence with Monsr: Dupleix wherein it appearing that he had an Intention to Desert our Service as your Honours will be more fully acquainted by the Consultation that was held thereon, We have thought necessary to Cashire and send him to Europe on
Con 23 Octr: this Ship, And have Accordingly given the Commander Directions to take him on board on Charter Party Terms as We have likewise done for four of your Military who have served their Times and at their Request have been discharg'd your Service The latter We were oblig'd to direct to be taken on board on those Terms, this Ship having her full Complement of Men.

114. Since what has been Mention'd in the foregoing Under the head of Accounts regarding the Madrass Church and Charity Stock We have been inform'd by some of the Parties Concerned that if a Vestry should be again Establish'd at that Place and regular Church Wardens appointed they are willing to pay their several Concerns, which we Intend to take into Consideration after the Ditspatch of this ship And if we find the Major part to Agree to it, shall give proper Orders to our Deputy Governour & Council for that Purpose.

Con 23d Octr. 28 Do. 115. A large Deficiency of Arrack having arose in the Cargo receiv'd from Batavia on the Ship Royal George, which having been Entirely procured and Under Charge of Capt. Field We have thought proper to refer the same to your Honours Decision as ℣ Consultation.

116. When the Recruits were Establish'd at Fort St. George Just before the Squadrons departure the three following Persons Messrs. Pero Hockett and Merryman, were Entertain'd Lieutenants In our Company of Artillery who were well Recommended to Us as being properly qualified for that Service, but as yet they have had no Opportunity of coming to Us.

Lres Recd N 105 117. Since what we have already advisd your Honours under the head of Shipping We have been inform'd from Bombay of the Staffords Arrival at that Place on the 26 Sepr: as also that the Durrington was dispatchd for Europe the same day.

118. Your Honours having requir'd to be inform'd from what Authority the Dutch have hitherto maintain'd their Pretensions to the Factory they have in Tevenepatam, We have Accordingly endeavourd to make Ourselves Acquainted therewith, but can find nothing more appearing of it in all the former Records of the place than a Verball Agreement that is mentiond to have been made by Governour Yale that the same should be Continu'd to them they having Enjoy'd it in the time of the Morattas, And Extract of which Record we have thought proper to send in this Packett.

Con 9 Octr. 12 do. 119. The Certificates that We have granted for Money paid into your Honours Cash this year as follows Vizt.

One Sett for Pagodas 9849. 21. 22 In favour of Harry Gough Esqr. for so much receiv'd of The Honble Charter Floyer Esqr.

One Sett for Pagodas 600—:—In favour of Henry Lascells Esqr. for so much receivd here of Capn. John Nanfan.

One Do. for Pagodas 1960. 20.—. for so much receivd here of Captain William Mortimore on Account the Estate of Capn. William Bressy.

One Do. for Pagodas 52—:—for so much receiv'd here of Capn. William Mortimore, Account the Estate of Capn. Robert Browne.

All which beg leave to Recommend to your Honours Compliance.

120. In this Ships Packet we transmitt your Honours a Receipt of Capn. Robert Osborns late Commander of the Princess Mary for Nine hundred and Ninety six Pagodas (996) taken up of the late President and Council of Fort St. George for the use of the said Ship on Charter Party Terms which we found with another Copy of it among the Papers delivered over to Us by the French, and which we judge may be usefull to your Honours upon settling the Accounts of that Ship.

121. Your Honours will receive in the Box Packet one from the President and Council of Fort William, which they advise Us is a Duplicate of what sent you by the Chesterfield.

122. On this Ship We have laden twelve hundred (1200) Bales with Pepper and Redwood as ℘ Invoice and Bill of Lading Inclos'd Amounting to Pagodas One hundred and fifty three thousand three hundred and Seventy seven, Eight fanams & fifty three Cash (153377.8.53) and the amount of the Diamonds Registered by her is Pagodas four thousand Nine hundred and four, Eighteen fanams and thirty three Cash (4904. 18. 33).

123. Yesterday afternoon saild on their Respective Voyages your Ships Elizabeth and Fort S^t^. George, and with wishing this a safe and speedy Passage to your Honours take the Liberty of assuring you that we are with the greatest Respect.

HONOURABLE

FORT S^T^. DAVID
2 November 1749

Your faithfull and Obedient
Humble Servants

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
[*lacuna*]
RICHARD PRINCE.
ALEX^R^. WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
THOMAS COOKE.

POSTSCRIPT

The Pepper laden on this Ship is Invoic'd at the same Quantity, as was Invoic'd to Us from Tellicherry but we apprehend the shifting of it from the Elizabeth into the Fort S^t^. George and from her to this Ship must have Occasion'd some Deficiency therein, Cap^n^. Edward Wills of the Ship Elizabeth having requested to pay into your Honours Cash the sum of fifteen hundred Pagodas on Account the Estate of Captn Ambrose Lawrence deceasd We have accordingly granted him Certificates for the same.

We are
HONOURABLE

FORT S^T^. DAVID
2^d^. Nov^r^: 1749

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REGISTER OF DIAMONDS & PRECIOUS STONES LICENSED BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. DAVID TO BE SHIPP'D ON THE ROYAL GEORGE CAPTN THOMAS FIELD IN RETURN FOR CORAL &C^A^.

		By MOSES BEREND HEYMAN Cons^d^: to LEVY and REUBEN SALOMON or Order.	
LRS ... N 2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for 2 boxes of Pearls markd MBH N 1 & 2 ℘ Cæsar & Eastcourt ...	3571. 9. 40
		By MOSES BEREND HEYMAN to JOSHUA SALOMONS or Order	

2	1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Coral MB H N 1 ℘ Salisbury	1333. 8. 73
		Pagodas ...	4904. 18. 33

FORT S^T^. DAVID
the 30 Oct^r^: 1749

CHARLES BOURCHIER.
Sec^y^.

MANIFEST OF SUNDRYS PERMITTED BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. DAVID TO BE SHIPP'D ON BOARD THE ROYAL GEORGE FOR PRESENTS.

By M^r^. RICHARD STARKE.

One Parcell Directed to M^r^. John Starke cont^s^. Viz^t^.
Pullicat Betteelas ... ... 2 p^s^.

By M^r^. JOHN SMITH.

One Parcell Directed to John Wade Esqr. cont^s^. Viz^t^.
a hand Escrutore Fine Dimmity ... ... 5 p^s^.

FORT S^T^. DAVID.
the 30th Octr. 1749.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.
Sec^y^.

LIST OF PAPERS IN THE FORT S^T^. DAVID PACKET ℘ SHIP ROYAL GEORGE VIZ^T^.

N ... 1. General Letter to the Hon̄ble Court of Directors ℘ Royal George dated [*lacuna*].

2. Duplicate Genl. Lr̄e to the Hon̄ble Court of Directors ℘ his Majestys Ship Exeter dated 18 Octr. 1749.

3. Triplicate D°. ... to D°. ℘ Chesterfield dated 9 Oct^r^. } 1749
4. D°. D°. ... to D°. Overland 30 Aug^t^. } 1749
5. D°. D°. ... to D°. Overland 11 May } 1749

6. D°. D°. ... to D°. ℘ Porto Bello dated 22^d^. Feby. 1748/9

7. Invoice of Ship Royal Georges Cargo Amot^s^. to Pag^s^. 153377. 8. 53.

8. Bill of Lading for D°.

9. Dup: Invoice of Ship Chesterfields Cargo Amot^s^. to Pag^s^. 119818. 10. 64

10. Second Bill of Lading for D°.

11. Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones Licensed by the President & Council of Fort S^t^. David to be shippd on the Royal George Capt. Thomas Field Amot^s^. to Pag^s^. 4904. 18. 33.

12. Duplicate Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones licensed by the President & Council of Fort S^t^. David to be shipp'd on the Chesterfield Captn̄ Edwin Carter Amot^s^: to Pag^s^: 143062. 20. 27.

13. Manifest of sundrys permitted by the President & Council of Fort S^t^. David to be shippd on the Royal George for Presents.

14. Calculate of Ship Royal Georges Tonnage.

15. Dup: Calculate of Ship Chesterfield Tonnage.

16. List of Packing stuff on 1200 Bales laden on Ship Royal George.

17. Dup: List of D°. on 1400 Bales laden on Ship Chesterfield.

18. List of ship Royal Georges Men.

19. List of ship Royal Georges Ammunition & Warlike Stores.

20. Captn̄ Edwin Carter's second Receipt for his Packet.

21. List of Seamen lately belonging to the Princess Mary & Pss. Amelia that were entertain'd in the Hoñble Companys Service, with an Accot. how the said People are & have been dispos'd of.

22. Captn Robert Osbornes Receipt for 996 Pagodas supplied him by the late President & Council of Fort St. George, on the terms of ship Princess Marys Charterparty dated 1st Sepr. 1746.

23. Captn Edward Wills's first Receipt for 1500 Pags. supplied him agreeable to the terms of ship Elizabeths Charterparty dated 18 Octr. 1749.

24. Captn William Mortimores first Receipt for 1000 Pags: supplied him agreeable to the terms of ship Fort St. Georges Charter party dated 25 Octr. 1749.

25. Captn Edwin Carters second Receipt for 1500 Pags supplied him agreeable to the terms of ship Chesterfields Charterparty dated 30th March 1749.

26. Captn Thomas Fields second Receipt for 2500: Pags. supplied him agreeable to the terms of ship Royal Georges Charterparty dated 1st. May 1749

27. Captn George Lindsays second Receipt for Pags. 1000 supplied him agreeable to the terms of ship Pelhams Charterparty dated 11 May 1749.

28. Captn Robert Brown's second Receipt for Pags. 3000 supplied him agreeable to the terms of ship Fort St. Georges Charterparty dated 1st. June 1749.

29. Captn Edward Wills second Receipt for Pags. 1000 supplied him agreeable to the terms of ship Elizabeths Charterparty dated 7th. June 1749.

30. Captn John M. Namar's second Receipt for Pags. 500: supplied him agreeable to the terms of ship Rhodas Charterparty dated 22 June 1749.

31. Captn William Mortimores second Receipt for Pags. 1500 supplied him agreeable to the terms of ship Fort St. Georges Charterparty dated 18 Sepr: 1749.

32. Captn Francis Fowler's second Receipt for Pags. 100 supplied him for the Use of the Hoñble Companys own ship Duke of Newcastle dated 23 Sepr. 1749.

33. Mr. John Dixon Paymaster to the Royal Train his first receipt for 300 Pagodas paid him in part for Ordnance stores supplied the Honble Company dated 28 Sepr. 1749.

34. Mr. John Dixon Paymr. to the Royal Train his second receipt for 4000 Pagodas paid him in part of Ordnance stores supply'd the Hoñble Company dated 6 June 1749.

35. Mr. John Dixon Paymr: to the Royal Train his second receipt for 3500 Pagodas paid him in part for Ordnance stores supply'd the Hoñble Company dated 6 July 1749.

36. Mr. John Dixon Paymr. to the Royal Train his second Receipt 1500 Pagodas paid him in part of Ordnance Stores supplied the Hoñble Company dated 6 July 1749.

37. Mr. John Dixon Paymr: to the Royal Train his second receipt for 252. 15. 67 paid him in part for Ordnance Stores supplied the Hoñble Compy dated 14th. July 1749.

38. Surgeon of Ship Pelhams second Receipt for Head Money.

39. List of the Hoñble Companys Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Choromandell Dated 30th. Octr. 1749.

40. Covenants executed by Mr. Thomas Cooke Junior Merchant at Fort St. David.

41. Covenants executed by Mr. Charles Bourchier Do. at Do.

42. Covenants executed by Mr. John Pybus Factor at Fort St. David.

43. Covenants executed by M^{r}. John William Speck at Fort S^{t}. David.
44. Covenants executed by M^{r}. Robert Sloper D^{o}. D^{o}.
45. List of Inhabitants Men, Women, & Children at Fort S^{t}. David and Fort S^{t}. George dated 30th. [*lacuna*] 1749
46. Acco^{t}. of Treasure received from Europe by the several ships from Jañry.
47. Register of Marriages, Christnings, Deaths, & Burials ending 18th. Octr. 1749
48. Surgeons List of Deaths ending 3^{d}. Oct^{r} : 1749.
49. Dup : Surgeons Indent for Medicines, Instruments &c^{a}. for the Year 1750
50. Dup : Import Warehousek^{rs}. Acco^{t}. Remains dated 31st. Jan̄ry 1748/9
51. Dup : Acco^{t}. of Treasure recd̃ from England ℘ Ship Dragon
52. Acco^{t} : of Quick stock remaining 30th. Oct^{r} : 1749
53. Military Storekeepers Acco^{t} : of Artillery Stores &c^{a}. receivd from his Majesty's Commissary July 12th. 1749.
54. Military Storekeep^{rs}. Acco^{t}. of Ordnance &c^{a}. recd̃ from his Majesty's ship in Fort S^{t}. David
55. Military Storekeep^{rs}. Acco^{t}. of stores recd̃ from Fort S^{t}. David by His Majesty's squadron & the French at Madrass
56. Captn̄ Edwin Carters first Receipt for Pag^{s}. 638. 27. 60 paid him for sundry Warlike Stores deliverd from ship Chesterfield on Acco^{t}. of the Hoñble Company dated 10th. Octr. 1749
57. Mich : Roche. McCragh Purser of Ship Fort S^{t}. George his first Receipt for Pag^{s} : 597. 6. 60 paid him for sundry Warlike stores delivered from the said ship on Acco^{t}. of the Hoñble Company dated 3^{d}. Octr. 1749.
58. Captn̄ George Cumming his first Receipt for Rup^{s}. 3278. 8. 2 paid him for sundry Warlike stores deliverd on Acco^{t} : of the Hoñble Company dated 6 July 1749
59. An Indent of Military stores wanting for the Garrison of Fort S^{t}. David
60. Extract from the Fort S^{t}. David Diaries and Consultations dated February the 11th [*lacuna*] 1690/1
61. The Surgeons Acco^{ts}. with his Majesty's squadron from August 1748 to Sepr. 1749
62. Surgeons Camp Acco^{t}. with the Generals Order.
63. Tickets relating to the surgeons Acco^{ts}. with the squadron
64. Musters of Gold and Silver

CHARLES BOURCHIER

FORT S^{T}. DAVID
2^{D}. NOV^{R}. 1749.

LIST OF BOOKS IN THE BOX APART

N. 1	Consultations & Diaries broken set	Commencing 22 Feby. 1748/9. Ending 2 Novr. 1749.
2	Letters Receiv'd broken set ...	Commencing 22 Feby. 1748/9. Ending 2 Novr. 1749.
3	Letters sent broken set ...	Commencing 22 Feby. 1748/9. Ending 2 Novr. 1749.
4	Cash Book broken set	Commencing 1st. Feby. 1748/9. Ending 30 Octr. 1749.
5	Ship Book	Commencing 24 Feby. 1748/9. Ending 2 Novr. 1749.

6 Cowles & Commissions broken set	Commencing 1st. Janry. 1748/9. Ending 2 Novr. 1749.
7 Fort St. George Consultations & Diaries	Commencing 1st. Feby. 1746. Ending 16 June 1746.
8 Fort St. George Cash Account ...	Commencing 1st June 1746. Ending 2 Feby. 1748.
9 Proceedings of the Commisary's appointed to receive Madrass from the French.	

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CHARLES BOURCHIER

LETTER TO CAPTAIN T. FIELD, DATED NOVEMBER 2, 1749.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17 p. 97.*]

TO CAPTN THOMAS FIELD
OF SHIP ROYAL GEORGE

SIR

You are hereby orderd to Repair on board and make the best of Your way to the Port of LONDON in GREAT BRITAIN with the Packet herewith deliverd You Directed to the Honble the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their House in Leadenhall Street LONDON, Which You are to send your Purser ashore with at the first Port you Arrive at in England & forward it with all possible Expedition.

In Case you call at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour of St. HELENA (at which Place We direct You touch for Refreshments) that you carry him some Garden seeds Plants &ca. We heartly wish you a safe & speedy Passage Dated in FORT ST. DAVID this 2d. of Novr. 1749.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
[*Lacuna*]
RICHARD PRINCE.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED FEBRUARY 12, 1750.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, pp. 99–131*].

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONBLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND
TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

1. By the Royal George We sent you our last General Advices under the 2d. November, a Duplicate of which, as also Triplicate of that Mr. Boscawen carried with him, are enclos'd in this Ships Packet. Lres Sent 1749-50 No. 8.

2d. And We now have the satisfaction to acquaint you of the arrival here of your own Ship Lapwing the 6 Ultimo, by whom we receiv'd your Commands of the 30th. August, likewise the Packets for the President & Council of Bombay the one of which design'd to be transmitted overland, was dispatch'd thither immediately in Obedience to your Orders.

3. What has occur'd in your Honours Affairs since our last address, we shall now lay before You under the following Heads.

First Concerning Shipping

4 The Elizabeth whom We Dispatch'd to Atcheen to lay out the Monsoons, as We accquainted your Honours by the Royal George return'd here from thence the 25 December; where she left Commodore Lisle in the Vigilant and the Porto Bello Sloop, who were just arriv'd, having met with a Passage of five and forty days in Crossing the Bay.

5 The Augusta which We began to Entertain but little hopes of seeing here, imported with Us the 26 December from Malacca, wither she proceeded some time in June last upon being drove to Leeward of this Place. By her We had the Satisfaction to hear that all Your last Years Ship's bound for China had pass'd that Port in safety, As soon as the Season will permit, Whe shall dispatch her on her intended Voyage.

Cons 1749/50 17 Janry.
Con. 1749/50 24 Janry.
Lres sent 1749/50 No. 16: 17
Lres sent 1749/50 No 15

6 On the Lapwings Arrival in compliance with your Orders to give her a Quick Dispatch We landed only thirty Chests of her Bullion as we were then of Opinion her short stay would not allow of Replacing above that Quantity with Rupees. But upon Capt: Cheyne representing to Us the Weak and sickly Condition of his ships Company, and the Difficulty's he was likely to encounter by proceeding in those Circumstances, We thought it most prudent to detain him a few days for the recovery of his People, and made Use of that Interval to Coin the remainder of his Treasure; which being Effected she was dispatch'd the 29th. with orders to touch at Fort St. George for the delivery of her private Consignments but to remain there no longer than was absolutely necessary for that purpose. We have likewise wrote the Gentlemen at Bengal, that if they should be unable to comply with your Intentions in dispatching her from thence this season, (which We apprehend will be the case) to return her immediately to Us, as we expect to be furnish'd with a sufficient Quantity of Goods to send her away in May, without in the least Diminishing the Cargo of the September Ship and we flatter Ourselves that this Proceeding will meet with Your Honours Approbation.

Lre to England dated 1st. Novr. 1749
Lre from Engld. Dated 30 Augt. 1749

7 By our last Advices You were acquainted that we had dispatch'd the Fort St. George to Madagascar to Purchase a Cargo of Slaves, therefore the Swallow's second Trip for that purpose (as design'd by Your Honours) We apprehend will be wholly unnecessary But shall pay the Strictest Obedience to the other part of your Orders regarding that Vessell, and send her imediately on her arrival with what slaves she may bring to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort Marlborough, directing them to return her to be laden from thence with another ship in Janry, which make no doubt of being able to Accomplish.

Do. Do.

8 Should the ships from Leghorn which your Honours advise Us of, appear on this Coast We shall agreeable to your Commands apply to the Commrs. of the Men of War for seizing such of his Majesty's subjects as may be found on board them, and should they attempt to make a settlement, Our utmost endeavours shall not be wanting to Frustrate their Intentions in that Respect.

Lres sent 1749 No 117
Lres sent 1749 No 100
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9 That We might Contribute as much as possible towards Discharging the large Quantity of Tonnage on hand in Bengal, We requested the Gentlemen there in September last to send a ship to Vizagapatam to take in Mr. Saunders's Bales, and at the same time Orderd the Chief & Council there to advise them what number they should have ready by the end of December; and by our last Letters from the Bay we learn that the Prince William was intended for that Service, & to proceed immediately to Europe Whither also they had resolv'd to Dispatch the Edgebastion & Tavistock, That the Walpole was designd for Judda, & the Severn & Britannia for Surat, all on Freight and that Your Honours own Ship the Dragon, Sail'd from thence for Anjengo & Tellicherry the 1st. of December.

10. By Advices from Bombay we understand that the Salisbury is safe arriv'd there but as yet we have no Account of the Warren.

SECONDLY OF GOODS FROM EUROPE OR FROM ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE DISPOS'D OF AT ANOTHER

11. Upon Weighing of the Silver by the Augusta, a Deficiency of Forty seven Ounces was found in Chest N° 133 which we call'd upon Captn Parker to make good, who accquainted Us the same was owing to that Chests being broke open by one of his People, from whom he had recover'd the greatest part of it which he woul'd deliver Us; and having the Delinquent in Confinement, desird We would send for him ashore in Order to take his Tryal for the Theft; but from Your Honours Opinion (in your Letter of the 29th. March 1749 with Respect to the Charter) being dubious of Our Authority for taking Cognizance of that Affair, We declin'd it, and only Orderd Captain Parker to make good the Deficiency which he accordingly did. Coñ 1749/50 3d. Jañry 8th. Jañry

12. Lead having bore a very good Price lately We last Month dispos'd of Three hundred Candys at Outcry, which produc'd on a Medium Pags. 12. 19. 40 ℔ Candy. Coñ: 1749/50 17th. Jañry

13. We should not have been Guilty of Deviating so much from Your Orders in sending so large a Quantity of Saltpetre on this ship, But as what she has aboard was put in at Bengal, and the Royal George and Chesterfield carrying you none of that Article, besides it's being an help towards Compleating this Ships Tonnage, We hope these Reasons will apologize to Your Honours for Our Conduct in this Particular.

14. Our want of Godowns, to lodge the Broad Cloth and other stores in, designd for Bengal by the Augusta, have Induc'd Us to continue them on board that ship, till an Opportunity offers of sending them thither of which we are in daily expectation. 1749 27 Decr.

15. In the Packet by this Ship We transmitt Your Honours Our several Indents for Woolen Goods, Stores, Medicines & Mint Necessaries.

THIRDLY, INVESTMENT

16. We have made it Our Constant study to promote this so Valuable a Branch of Your Trade, and Esteem Ourselves extreamly fortunate in having procured such a Number of Bales, notwithstanding the many Difficultys that have happen'd to impede it proceeding from the late Revolution in the Country, which with Concern we are to accquaint you still subsists & is Fomented by the French, And We may venture to assure Your Honours that what You will receive by this ship is of a better Manufacture, and at as Reasonable Rates as has been sent Home for some time.

17. As the Arrival of the Nazir Jing in this Province who is daily expected at Arcot, will in all probability put an entire stop to Business during his stay which from the present Prospect, we have reason to apprehend will be of long Continuance, We have little hopes to succeed so well this Year; But as the Gentlemen at the Northern Settlements give Us Expectations of making a great Investment, We shall not be wanting to forward them large supplys of Money, to enable them to improve as much as lays in their Power so favourable a Circumstance for your Interest; which from their last Year's performance We have great Reason to imagine they will be successfull in.

18. The Madras Merchants who came hither to give in their Accounts, have Engaged with Us to deliver there, by the 20th. of this Month about two hundred & thirty Bales at an abatement in the Price usually allow'd them by the late President & Council of that Place. Coñs: 1749 14 Decr.

19. The Succatoons your Honours have ordered shall be set about as soon as possible and hope to get them ready to send by the first Conveyance.

20. As the same Reasons We gave your Honours last Year for sending so large a Quantity of Brown Cloth still subsist, We hope they will be a sufficient Excuse for this Ships carrying You so much of that Article.

21. The Number of Bales that have been provided on this Coast the last Year are as follows

FORT S^T^. DAVID	... ...	2243
VIZAGAPATAM	sent Hither	300
	sent to Bengal ab^t^.	250
INGERAM	... ...	699
CHAY GOODS	... ...	17

FOURTHLY OF COUNTRY GOVERNMENT

22. We wrote Your Honours very fully on this Head by the Royal George and are now sorry to observe to you that the state of Affairs in this Province is rather worse than at that Ships Departure.

23. We acquainted Your Honours that Mustapha Jung and Sunda Soib took their leave from Pondicherry the 25th. September and were for some time hovering between that and this Place with their whole Army Assisted by the French with about 1400 Europeans a great Number of Seapoys and Peons and some Artillery They began their March inland the beginning of Novemr. with their whole Army and directed their Course to Worriarpollam with expectations of recovering a large sum of money of the Worriar of that place, without making any stay and then to proceed towards Trichinoply, but the whole Army was detain'd there full one Month daily Skirmissing with the Worriars forces, who finding himself to be press'd hard Agreed to pay them three Lacks of Rupees In the mean time we receivd several Letters from Mahomud Ally Cawn requesting further Assistance which at length was agreed to send him Captn Cope was order'd to March from Deva Cotta with a Company of Military consisting of Europeans & Topasses also Lieutenant Nost with a few Private Men of the Train who all got safe into Trichinoply We have also spar'd him some Peices of Cannon (unserviceable to Us) and sundry sorts of Warlike Stores and this with little or no Expence to Your Honours Mahomud Ally Cawn having agreed to Pay for the whole Notwithstanding Mustapha Jung &ct. intended to March from Worriarpollam directly for Trichinoply, upon their receiving advises of the Assistance we had thrown into that place, they thought proper to alter their design and bent their Course towards Tanjour which Country they have almost ruein'd about six weeks past they laid seige to the Capital of that Kingdom which was bravely defended by the Troops with[in] and they also made some successful sallies on the Beseigers, but after sometime the King of Tanjour finding them resolute in carrying on the Attack, thought proper to ma[ke] Peace with them for sixty Lacks of Rupees to be paid at Different Payments, we cannot learn that more than six or seven lacks of this Money has yet been paid and that slowly in small sums for which Reason the Moors have again renew'd the seige of that place and the French for that purpose have carry'd heavy Cannon and Mortars from Carrical and by frequent advices from the Southward we are advis'd they play briskly both by Night and day upon that Fort with three peices of Cannon and the sam[e] Number of Mortars and it is thought they will be soon Masters of it, if Nazir Jings Forces he is sending to their relief, do not quickly Arrive, if the Moors succeed, it is their Design to Defend themselves, by the Assistance of the French in that place against Nazer Jing, but in case they are oblig'd to raise the Seige it is thought Sunda Soib will retire with the French into Pondicherry and Mezepher Jing into the strong Fortress of Ginjee. Mahomud Ally Cawn Acknowledges the Assistance we have sent him to have been of the greatest Service and to have sav'd that place and the President has receivd a Letter of thanks from Nazir Jing on that occasion.

Con̄ : 1749 16 Novr.

24. We have daily advices that Nazir Jing is on his March this way with an Army of near one hundred thousand Horse and a large Train of Artillery, This Army is divided into several Bodys some of which are said to have enter'd the Province and Sumpetroy Devan to the late Nabob Anewerdee Cawn, is expected daily at Arcot.

Coñs: 1749 16 Novr: — 1749/50 19 Jañry.

25. Upon our first getting intelligence of Nazer Jings Marching this way we set about preparing a Present for him as also the making a handsome Tent which he requested when Motall our Vakeel was with him in Novr. 1748 the Present in sundry sorts of European goods & such Comodity's as we cou'd meet with, will Amount to about ten thousand Pagodas Major Lawrence, & Mr. Westcott are appointed Ambassadours with Captn Dalton to attend upon him with it and immediately upon the Elizabeths dispatch the necessary Instructions will be drawn out for them Hodjee Haddy being a Man well vers'd in the Affairs of this Country & of reputation amongst them is Orderd to get himself in readiness to attend upon the Ambassadours we have reason to think this Expedition will prove of great advantage to Your Honours by obtaining grants of several Villages near Madrass and this place and particularly a Confirmation of the Phirmaund for St. Thome sent Us by Mahomud Ally Cawn as before advis'd of for such Favours Nazir Jing [and] his Head men about him will expect to be rewarded, it being [a] Constant Maxim with the Eastern Princes not to grant any thing without a Suitable Return and we beg leave to assure Your Honours that we shall be extreamly carefull of Your Interest and not part with more money than is absolutely Necessary and that must be in consequence of the several grants we may obtain from him.

26. St. Thomê remains in the same state as advisd Your Honours by the Royal George the Inhabitants of that Place esteem themselves happy in being under Our Government and we have not receiv'd the least Molestation from any one since we took Possession of that Place.

27. We are in the like situation at Deva Cota and the Country near that Place as far as our Bounds extends, is in Peace and quietness, but the King of Tanjour having been for sometime passd in troubles and now close beseig'd in his Capital by the Usurpers, is the reason we have not been able as yet to recover the remaining fifty thousand Rupees due to the Company by Agreement as also his Royal Phirmaund for the quiet Possession of that Fort and Boun[ds] but we shall not fail to renew our demands on him as soon as a fit opportunity offers.

Coñs 4 Decr: 1749

28. Being apprehensive that the Dethr[ow of] King of Tanjour who resides at Cuddalore might go off to Sunda Soib and thereby stir up fresh Commotions we thought proper to allow him 300 Rupees ℔ Mensem to engage him to be contented with his situation but shall Continue [it] no longer than the present state of Affairs make it necessary & in the mean time shall keep a strict Eye upon him.

Coñ: 1749/50 17 Jañry

29. Maubrause who we advis'd Your Honours we had appointed Polligar at Fort St. George having by his unhuman behaviour of extorting Money from several of the Inhabitants by barbarous Methods renderd himself unworthy of that Post We have thought proper to dismiss him & have upon that Application & due Concession of the former Polligar reinstated him in that Office.

Fifthly of Fortifications, Buildings, Repairs and Revenues

30. We have little to add to our last advices by the Royal George of the Progress We have made in the Fortifications at this place, and have only to assure You of our utmost attention, to their being Carried on with the greatest Frugality.

Coñs: 1749 13 Novr:

31. The many Inconveniences that we found attended the want of Cranes to unload Our Boats of heavy Commodities, and the Delay it often Occasion'd in Our Business, Induc'd us to Erect one at the Back Gate of the Fort, and another at Cuddalore with small Wharfe's to each projecting into the River the former is finish'd and the other near compleated ; and the Expence of them according to the Estimate deliver'd into Consultation will Amount to about Fourteen hundred & Forty Pagodas.

6 Novr:

32. The New Rampert at the North East end of Cuddalore, built by Captain Delavaux, had been executed in so slight a manner (notwithstanding the Consequence had been frequently Remonstrated to him) that by the heavy Rains we had in November last the greatest part of it fell down ; upon which as the Rebuilding of it appear to be absolutely Necessary, We immediately orderd it to be set about & it is now finish'd, in so substantial a manner, that we may reasonably expect it will last for many Years without requiring any Repairs.

Coñ. 1749 11 Decr. 33. Major Lawrence having represented to Us that the Parapet Wall on the Southern Curtain of Cuddalore was so high that it was hardly possible to Annoy an Enemy over it, unless they were at a Considerable Distance: Likewise that the sand which the Wind had gather'd in great heaps against the Walls, might be very prejudecial in Case of an attempt on that place, We have therefore Orderd the former to be lower'd & the latter to be Removed the Expence of which will amout to about, One hundred and forty (140) Pagodas.

Coñs: 1749 13th. Novr. 34. Captain John Crompton having for these two Years past Lent us his House for the Accomdation of his Majesty's Captains, now applying for some Consideration on that Account We have presented him with three hundred Pagodas.

1749/50 19th. Jañry. 35. The Gun Carriages & other Military stores receivd from His Majesty's Squadron, having suffered greatly from being expos'd to the Injuries of the Weather we found it necessary to erect a shed for them, the Amount of which will be very Inconsiderable.

1749 30 Novr. 36. Since Our last advices to Your Honors We have let out the Paddy Fields & salt Pans at Fort S^{t}. George to Linga Chitty & Gruah at an advanc'd Price of Forty Pagodas upon what they usually produc'd. We have likewise granted a Cowle to the same Persons for [the] old Garden there at the same Rent it formerly yeilded, notwithstanding many of the Trees have been destroy'd by the French.

37. We are sorry to observe to Your Honours that the Horn Work and other Fortifications lately erected here will greatly exceed the Calculation we formerly transmitted You; which Chiefly proceeds from Captain Delavaux's pursueing a different Plan from that laid down by M^{r}. Jones who design'd that the Guns from the Fort should have play'd over the Horn Work, whereas Captn Delavaux has raisd it to the same Elevation The Expence of the Glacis which has been very considerable, M^{r}. Jones did not at all conclude in his Calculate, imagining that the Earth taken out of the Ditch would have entirely answer'd that purpose but on the contrary we found it barely sufficient for Compleating the Covert Way, the former situation of which having been extreamly Low, we were oblig'd to raise it The Horn Work wants nothing now of being finish'd, but laying some of the Platforms & Compleating the Roman Ways.

38. We are now Building a Bridge over the Channel that was cut for Tevenapatam River to the Westward of the Fort; the want of which has hitherto been supply'd by one made of Coconut & Palmeira Trees but that being entirely decay'd, We judged it better to Erect a Durable one at once, than another of those Perishable Materials which stand in need of Continual Repairs, the Cost of this Work will Amount to about four Thousand (4000) Pag^{s}.

Sixthly of Factors, Writers, Officers and their Accounts

39. In Consequence of Our appointment of M^{r}. Prince to the Deputy Government of Fort S^{t}. George he sett out for that Place the 25 November, and Major Lawrence return'd here the 7th. December.

1749 Lre to Eng^{d}. 2 Nov^{r}: 40. M^{r}. John William Speck who (as your Honours have been accquainted) We had station'd in the Accomptants Office died here the 8th. November and as We Labour under great difficulty's for want of servants to carry on your Business in the several Offices, more especially since the resetling of Fort S^{t}. George, We must again repeat to your Honours our Request for a [Steady] supply.

Coñs: 1749 30th. Nov^{r}: 41. M^{r}. Robert Clive who has acted in a Military Capacity ever since the Capture of Fort S^{t}. George having desired to be permitted to Reassume his Station of a Covenanted Servant, We have appointed him steward here in the room of M^{r}. Smith, whom Your Honours have already been advis'd. We had nominated one of the Council of Fort S^{t}. George M^{r}. Edmund Maskelyne chusing to continue in the Military We take the Liberty to recommend him to Your Honours favour as one highly deserving of it, And by the next Opportunity shall acquaint You with M^{r}. Phillip Bulkleys Resolution whether to remain in that Branch or return to his station among Your Covenanted Servants Which We are unable to do at Present by his being at Tritchanoply.

Cons: 1749/50 6 Febry.

42. Mrs. Elizabeth Woodward Relict of one of your former Council of this 1749
place, whose Indigent Circumstances were well known to us; Upon her application 11 Decr:
to the President for some Relief; We granted her a Monthly Allowance of 5 Pagodas.

43. Major Lawrence having acquainted Us that the Pay Establish'd by Your 1749 Cons:
Honours for the Train Officers, being inferiour to an Ensigns & less than they 11th. Decr.
receiv'd in His Majesty's service, Occasion'd a backwardness in the Kings People to enter with Us; Wherefore as he knew it was your desire to have the Train Compleated from those that serv'd under Mr. Boscawen, he had been induced to promise that their Pay should be made Equivalent to an Ensign's, which for the same reasons We readily came into, and the following Persons have Engaged with Us on those terms vizt. Laurence Merriman, James Hockett and Edward Pero, and We
have likewise given a Lieutenants Commission to Mr. Peter Nost, as we before 27 Decr:
acquainted Your Honour's was Our Intention.

44. Your Orders in regard to the Troop of Horse have been Complied with as 11th. Decr.
far as was Consistent with Prudence, but the Troubles in the Country still Continuing and having reason to fear from the Malicious Disposition of Mr. Dupleix that he might Instigate Chunda Soib to an Attempt upon some of our Villages, which it would not be in Our Power te succour so expeditiously by a party of Infantry as by a Body of Horse, we have therefore Determined to keep up 30 for that end at Fort St. George, & are the more Convinced of the Indispensible Necessity of such a Resolution by Calling to mind a paragraph of Mr. Dupliex's Ltre to his Nephew Padre Antonio, which ran thus Observe the once Opulent Madrass, & tell me whether the English have it now in their Power to Protect their Inhabitants Intimating no doubt that by the Demolition of the Black Town Our Merchants and others would be oblig'd to Reside in the Adjacent Villages, where they would be expos'd to the Incursions of an Enemy. These Considerations we are persuaded will appear to Your Honours sufficient Reasons for Our Acting so Contrary to your Orders in this particular, The Remainder of the Troop have been dispos'd of, & the loss Your Honours have sustained by them since their first Establishment, by Death
the Enemy and Deserters Amounts to Fourteen thousand and Twenty two Pagodas, Cons. 1749.
twenty one fanams, & thirty four Cash (14022. 21. 34) which sum we have accord- 30th. Decr.
ingly Orderd to be wrote off.

45. As the Gentlemen who were appointed Commissaries for receiving Madrass 14 Decr.
from the French have been at an Extraordinary Expence in furnishing themselves with proper necessarys for that Occasion, we Directed them to deliver us in an Account thereof, that the same might be Reimbursed them; To which they replied that they beg leave to refer it to Your Honours known Generosity to make them such Recompence as you think proper.

46. Upon Major Lawrence's Recommendation of two Gentlemen, namely 27 Decr.
Robert Talbot & John Holdman for two Vacant Ensigns Commissions; the same has been Accordingly Granted.

47. We acquainted Your Honours by the Royal George of Our having signified to Mr. Morse your Resolution for his return to Europe, and that he had given Us for Answer he should proceed at this season, which we were in Expectation of
his doing till very lately when he represented to us by Letter that his Affairs were Cons. 1749/50
still in such a Situation that he could not comply with your Commands without the 3d. Janry
greatest Prejudice to himself and those Concern'd with him therefore hop'd we would Indulge him with a Prolongation of Time; which as we were very sensible of the Truth of what he had ascerted, We the readier Complied with but at the same time strenuously Recommended to him, the putting his Affairs in such a position as might admit of his proceeding in September.

48. On this ship takes his Passage Mr. Edward Harris one of your late Counsil of Madrass also his Lady, & the Daughter of Mr. William Henry Southby.

8 Janry. 49. Mr. William Belsches Your Surgeon at this place having requested leave to resign his Employ with a design of going to Europe in September, We have accordingly permitted him & appointed in his Room Mr. James Wilson who came out with Your Honours Recommendation to succeed to the first Vacancy.

Ditto. 50. John Moore Chief Carpenter to His Majesty's Train, having been represented to Us as a Person capable of assisting an Engineer and extreamly well vers'd in every thing relating to the Artillery, We have therefore entertaind him in Your Honours service at Fort St. George, on the terms mentiond in Consultation, which thought at first sight may appear somewhat exorbitant, yet when you Consider the service he may in all Probability render you We make no doubt of meeting with Your Approbation.

Seventhly Accounts

Lres Rec'd 1749/50. N 9. 51. The Bills of Exchange drawn by Coja Marut Mercar on Coja Miguel de Gregoiro your Honours transmitted Us by the Lapwing has been tenderd for Acceptance and Refused Coja Gregoiro alledging that Marut is Indebted to him; wherefore the Gentlemen at Fort St. George (where Gregoiro at present Resides) Protested the Bill, and we send You one of the said Protests enclos'd in this Ships Packet.

52. The Bills drawn on Your Honours by this ship as will appear in the Postscript, are at that Rate of Exchange you directed by the Lapwing.

53. We are sorry Your Honours will still have the same reason for Complaint in not receiving by this ship the Books from Vizagapatam & Ganjam, but they are not yet arriv'd; for which Omission we shall not fail severely to Reprimand the Gentlemen at those Settlements.

54. Mr. Morse having inform'd Us that he transmitted Your Honours by Mr. Boscawen a Cash Account wherein is specified the Disbursements of the Money taken upon Bonds by the late President & Council of Fort St. George, We therefore take the Liberty to refer you thereto, not having been able after the strictest search to meet with any paper that can give us the least sight into this Affair.

Cons. 1749/50 14th. Decr. 1749/50. 29 Janry. 55. The Madrass Merchants came hither in the Month of November to deliver us in their Accounts with Your Honours, which upon Perusing, We find they have Credited themselves for sundry Articles, that We told them was our Opinion, You were no ways Accountable for. But they requesting they might be refer'd to Your Honours We have gratified them therein, and enclose Copy's of them in this ships packet, together with the Remarks made on them by the Accomptant at Fort St. George, whither we transmitted them to be Examin'd, We have also at the desire of Tellisingah Chittee & Condapah Chittee forwarded a Letter they have taken the Liberty to address to You.

Cons. 27 Decem. 1749 56. We had expectation of sending You by this Ship the Fort St. George General Books Ending April 1746 and for that end, Ordered Mr. Hopkins (who was then sub Accomptant) to Madras to Ballance them. But they having met with very little Treatment from the French We find it is impractable at this time. What other Books and Papers of that year We have yet found, go by this ship.

57. As the greatest part of Your Honours Wares & Stores are dispos'd of by Retail, we find it Impractable to draw out an Account Sale thereof in the manner you have been pleas'd to Direct, But shall not fail to comply wth. your Commands with Respect to what may be sold at Outcry, and accordingly in this Ships Packet transmitt Your Honours an Account Sale of Lead in the form prescribed which is the only Article that has been dispos'd of in that manner this Year.

Cons. 1749. 13th Novr. 58. Upon discharging the Country Peons and Seapoys from Your service there being due from several of them small sums advanc'd during the War, amounting in the whole to Nine hundred & fifty (950) Pagodas, and as there was not the least probability of recovering any part of it, We thought it to little purpose to continue the same on Our Books, therefore have ordered it to be wrote off.

59. By the Porto Bello We transmitted Your Honours all such Books & Accounts as we were of Opinion usually went from Fort St. George, and are sorry that the Length of her Passage should have been a means of drawing on Us your

Displeasure. Those sent You on this Ship We flatter Ourselves you will find Conformable to your Directions by the Lapwing, & had we sooner been furnish'd with the Madras Books to have Guided us in the Method of carrying on the business, We take the Liberty to assure You that there should not have been the least Room for Complaint & therefore beg Your Honours will not impute it to Our misapprehending Your Orders Negligence or Inatention to your Affairs entrusted to our Charge.

Eigthly Touching the West coast

60. Since our last Address We have recd no advice from the Gentlemen at Fort Marlborough therefore have nothing to acquaint You with under this Head but that we are in daily expectation of seeing your Snow Brilliant from thence.

Ninthly Touching the Charter

61. Your Honours have already been acquainted of Our Diffidence in regard to the Charter by Our declining to take Cognizance of several Complaints that have been laid before Us as you will observe by Our Consultations, One of which between Messrs. Jones & Moses we should have been very glad to have Decided; as we are well Convinc'd how little Cause the former has for complaint, and that the Offers Mr. Moses made him for accommodating Matters before they came to this Length, were what every Man of Integrity would have accepted of and his Rejecting them induces Us to believe that he has no other vein in carrying the Cause into the Courts of England, than Mr. Moses's Ruin by obliging him to leave his Affairs in these parts (where his Character is so well Establish'd) to attend the Process. The several Papers delivered Us in by both Parties, being of too great a length to be Entered on Our Consultations, are Copied in a Book apart, which comes in this Packet. (Lre to England 2 Novemr. Cons. 1749. 22 Decr. 13 Janry)

62. We have also for the foregoing Reason rejected a petition delivered Us by Messrs. Starke and Sloper in behalf of their Constituents, Creditors of Capt. Edward Jacob's deceasd Concerning a Sum of Money Attach'd by the Mayor's Court of Madras, that he left behind him at Fort Marlborough on Account of his Respondentia, Creditors and was remitted to us from thence by his Attorny's to be deposited in Your Cash till it should be Determined who Were the Proprietors of it By all which Circumstances your Honours will observe the absolute Necessity there is for Re[e]stablishing that Court. (Cons. 1749. 6th. Novr.)

Tenthly of the french and other European nations trading to India

63. As We inform'd Your Honours in Our address by General Boscawen and as our Consultations Transmitted You by the Royal George will acquaint You that We had seiz'd Messueirs La Mettrie & Barnewall & the Motives that induced Us thereto, We shall now lay before You some further Particulars regarding those Gentlemen.

64. Soon after the departure of the Royal George Messrs. La Mattrie and Barnewall address'd Us to be acquainted with the Reasons that Urged Us to Arrest them, that by their answer thereto they might be enabled to wipe off the Aspersion, which that Proceedure had thrown upon them, But as Mr. Boscawen (at whose solicitation We had taken this Step) had left Us entirely destitute of the Proofs, he inform'd Us he had against them, We thought it most prudent to return no Answer, And upon further Reflecting on this Affair We found there was Reason to apprehend that should We send those Gentlemen to Europe, and any Accident happen to Mr. Boscawen whereby those proofs might be lost Your Honours might be Involved in a great deal of Troubles We therefore came to a Resolution to deliver Mrs. Madeiras up her Bond given for their appearance, and only to expell them Your Limitts and include their Houses in the Number of those we had Determin'd to Confiscate. But we were prevented from executing the latter part of this Resolution by Learning that their Houses were Mortgaged however We orderd the Gentlemen at Fort St. George to acquaint them with the former, and in pursuance (Cons. 1749 25 Novr. 30 Do. 17 Decr.)

thereof to Limitt their Departure with their Effects to a certain time, Although by Cons. 1749/50 3 Jan.ry 8h Do. D. 6 Febry. this Procedeure We had entirely acquitted them of their Obligation to go to England, they still persisted in that Design, in order as they acquainted Us to throw themselves at the Feet of His Majesty, to Implore from his Clemency, & the Laws of our Country, Redress of their Grievances, & what they term our Illegal Proceedings, and to that end Embark'd on a French ship that saild from Pondicherry a few days since, Having first each of them Transmitted Us a Protest whereby they make Your Honours & us accountable for all Damages that may accrue to them and their Persons, Fortunes & Effects, from by & during the Term of their Voyage to & from Europe. In that delivered Us by Mr. La Mattrie We can't help observing that he has made Us accountable for 32000 Pagodas the amount of his Wifes Fortune, which it is well known he paid away a few Months after his Marriage to his Creditors in China It is also most absurd his makeing us accountable for several sums of Money he pretends to have outstanding in different parts of India since it is a Circumstance well known that he subsisted many Years before the Loss of Madras entirely on the Bounty of his Wifes Family; though it is not impossible the sums he mentions may have been accumalated since then by the Plunder of Madrass, of which we are well inform'd he sent a considerable Quantity to Bengal. We must further beg leave to Remark upon the Extraordinary Valuations he setts upon his Credit, which has been at a very low Ebb ever since he appropriated to his own Use a larger Sum belonging to the French Company; part of which Mr. Dupleix & the Council of Pondicherry have now thought proper to make Your Honours accountable for Mr. Barnewall seems to exult greatly that We have nothing more to alledge against him! than his having acted as Quarter Master to Monsr. La Bourdonnais Troops at Madras. But since he seems determined to push matters to extremity, We must now exhibit against him a Charge of much more Importance, no less than the carrying on a Correspondence with the Enemy during the time of Actual War, for the Proof of which we enclose Your Honours Copies of two Affadavits; as also attested Copies of two Notes from him for Quartering the French Officers at Fort St. George We were very desirous of Supressing this Article Relating to his Correspondence with the Enemy, because we were apprehensive it 1749/50 Lre Rec'd. might touch his Life, nor shoul'd have urged it now had not his Obstinate Behaviour obligd Us His withdrawing himself in Disguise from Madras the Night he was Orderd to quit it & an Escort granted for his protection thrô the Moguls Dominions to this place; whether he was coming at his own request to take Passage on the Elizabeth, Leads Us to believe that he entertains but a bad Opinion of his Cause, and would have dropt it long ago had not Mr. Dupleix from the Invetracy he bears Us Instigated him to Prosecute it. We have also reason to think Mr. Jones (who for his base Behaviour to Mr. Moses has been shunn'd by all the Inhabitants of Fort St. George, and only associated with these two Gentlemen) has Prompted them to carry this Affair to the length they have done and are well assur'd that many of the papers they deliver'd in were of his Dictating.

65. Your Honours have already been advised of the extraordinary Behaviour of the French which we are sorry to acquaint You has engaged us in a most Cons. 1749 30h. Novr. Troublesome Correspondence with them, although we endeavour'd to avoid it as much as possible by giving them very consise answers to their first Letters wherein they Tax'd Us with breach of Treaties, & Protested against Us for the same They Likewise acquainted Us with having made Your Honours Accountable for Mr. La Cons. 1749 14h Decemr. Mettrie's Debt to their Company of Pagodas 5720. 21. 48, with the Interest due thereon; as they pretended he was rendered uncapable of Discharging it by Our Arresting him & insisting on his going to Europe In regard to their Accusation of the Breach of Treaties we Replied, That Our Superiours were the only proper Judges of Our Conduct in that Affair, & to them We should refer it; and as to their making You answerable for Mr. La Mattrie's Debt as we were certain they coul'd have no Precedent for so doing we should pay no regard thereto. This Produced another Letter from them dated the 11th. December, wherein they still persisted in making you accountable for the said Debt but We deferred answering it till we had executed Our Determination regarding Messrs. La Mettrie and Barnewall in acquitting them of their Obligation & expelling them our Limitts, which We imagin'd

would altogether Invalidate their Reasons for that procedure. In this Interval another Affair happend that occasion'd fresh misunderstandings. Two of Our Sailors straying out of the Bounds were lay'd hold of by their People and claim'd as Deserters, which the President hearing of sent a party of Military to bring them back again. This they Complain'd of as an Insult Offered to their Flagg, because it happen'd in a Village about three Miles from Our Bounds where they had thought proper to hoist one, and from that Circumstance to Denominate, their own, But for a more Particular Account of this Matter, and Our proceedings therein We must beg leave to refer You to our Consultations, However in a Letter that pass'd on that occasion we took an Opportunity to acquaint them with what we had done in regard to M^r^. La Mettrie and that their Reasons for making You accountable for his Debt, were consequently void, To this they Replied, that they had wrote to M^r^. La Mettrie on that Subject and when his answer arriv'd, woul'd Communicate it to Us: after which they remain'd silent till the 24 Ultimo when they enclos'd Us, Copy of his Letter to them, with an Original Address'd to Us, and his protest as before taken Notice of: and gave Us to understand that they still continued in their former Resolution of making Your Honours accountable for the Money As We had so often Reiterated to them Our Determinations of not paying the least Regard to their Protest in that Respect we thought it unnecessary to repeat it again therefore only acknowledged the Receipt of their Letter and the Papers it Contain'd; But cannot help observing their Conduct in this Affair, appears to Us very extraordinary; as at the same time they presume to make You accountable for M^r^. La Mettrie's Debt they permitt him to take Passage for Europe on one of their own Ships which in our opinion does not carry with it the least Shadow of Equity.

22 Decem^r^.

Cons. 1749/50 3^d^. Janry.

24 Janry.

66. We are too sensible as We advis'd Your Honours by M^r^. Boscawen, That the French by their manner of acting, aim at nothing less than to exclude Us from the Trade of this Coast & by Degress from that of India: But hope by the Assistance of Nazir Jing (who is greatly Irritated with them, & whose Friendship we shall endeavour to Cultivate) to render their Schemes abortive; and turn the Ruin they meant for Us upon themselves. Though we cannot help wishing that Your Honours had put it more in Our Power to have Attempted it with greater Certainty.

67. Although M^r^. Boscawen upon Our Application to him sent a Remonstrance to the Gentlemen at Batavia for the several Insults offerd by their Nation to His Majestys Colours and Your Pass We are sorry to Observe it has been to very little purpose having fresh Cause for Complaint by their Stopping in the Streights of Malacca a Country Ship call'd the Arcot bound from this Place to Manilha, & we have certain information that they had Orders from Batavia to stop her intended Voyage & would have done it, had not three of Your Hon^rs^. China Ships then at Malacca been a means to prevent them their Motive for this proceedure is as we learn their having a Ship of their Own destind to that Port and as a Resolution they have form'd to Engross the Manilha Trade to themselves, indeed their Encroachments are so notorious that We apprehend there is no Occasion to expatiate on the ill Consequences that must naturally flow from them; they are too obvious to need a Comment We can only say that We shall Remonstrate this Fresh Indignity to the Gentlemen at Negapatam desiring them to forward the same to Batavia, & shall not fail to accquaint M^r^. Lisle with it, by the first Opportunity.

Cons. 1749/50 19 Janry.

68. The best advices We have been able to procure of the French Shipping inform Us that two have arrived from France lately, with a supply of Treasure thô We cannot learn the Quantity nor the names of those ships one of which saild sometime since but whither Bound we are unacquainted with The Prince, that arriv'd last Year at Pondicherry from Europe, and winter'd at Mergy was dispatch'd a few days past directly for France on which went Messrs. La Mettrie & Barnewall. The Favorite who was their Manilha Ship last Year, they have sent to Mahie for a Cargo of Pepper, and We are inform'd she is to Proceed on that Voyage again this Year. The Anson is gone on a Voyage to Mocha and the Tevenepatam from Bengall to the Mauritius.

69. The Investment they have made this Year amounts to about two Lacks of Rupees and we hear they have lately advanc'd their Merchants One Lack more.

Eleventhly of His Brittanick Majesty's Squadron

70. Under the Head of Shipping Your Honours have already been acquainted that the Elizabeth left Commodore Lisle at Atcheen, of whom we can give no further Intelligence than that we don't expect to see him till May or June.

71. The Ruby, Tarter & Syren, who left this Place for Bombay in October, We have advice are all arrived there.

72. When the Brilliant Snow went to Atcheen in the Year 1747 Mr. Griffin and the President Directed the Chief Mate Mr. Thomas Webster to remain at that
Cons. 1749. 24 Janry. Place, in order to remit them any Intelligence he might get of the Enemy; and he being now Return'd from thence on the Elizabeth has deliver'd us in an Account of his Expences amounting to Rupees two thousand and eight (2008) which not being thought at all Extravagant, the same has been Discharg'd.

Supplement

73. Agreeable to what we wrote Your Honours by the Royal George about Reestablishing a Vestry at Madras, One has accordingly been held, Compos'd of
Cons. 1749 22d Decr. many of the former Members & the Majority of the Inhabitants, when Church Wardens were appointed for receiving the Debts due to the Church Stock; several of which have been Discharg'd, & several of the Bonds Renewed for what remains yet unpaid, at the same time a Treasurer & new Trustees were Elected to look after ye Charity Stock who are now collecting the Sums due thereto.

74. Your Honour's Orders for Expelling the Romish Priest's Your Limits we have put in Execution with regard to the one that Resided at Cuddalore and have
Cons. 1749 25 Novr. given the Portugueze Church there to the Revd. Mr. Keirnander Missionary here for Propigating Christian knowledge. We have likewise given another Catholick Church Situated to the Westward of Fort St. George at a place call'd Vipary, to others of the same Mission & they are to continue in Possession till Your Honours pleasure is known, Upon our Declaring the Confiscation of the latter We had a Letter from Coja
Cons. 1749 25 Novr. Petrus informing Us that it belong'd to him; but having reason to Suspect his Assertion, and that the said Church had been made over to the Capuchin Priests, We did not think proper to alter our Determination.

6 Novr. 75. The House &ca. of such Persons as remaind under the French Protection since the Capture of Madras, We have Confiscated to your Honours Use, agreeable to what we acquainted You by Mr. Boscawen And to prevent the ill Effects that may be apprehended from Foreigners & Roman Catholicks being again Masters of such large Possessions in the White Town We have Establishd an Order that none shall be dispos'd of to any but European Protestants; and We were the readier Induced to this Step as We have been told that You formerly sent abroad Directions to that Effect.

Cons. 1749/50 10 Febry. 76. Mr. Thos. Eyre one of your late Council of Fort St. George having a few days past sent Us a Letter, with his Paymasters Accounts for the Month of July, August, September, and October 1746 we enclose the same in this Ships Packet; and as by them there appears a Ballance in his favour He has requested us to desire of Your Honours, that the same may be Reimburs'd him.

Cons. 1749/50 10 Febry. 77. On this Ship We have sent Seven Charter party Passengers, Six Whereof being Foreigners that Deserted to Us from Pondicherry and were detected in going off again, apprehending from thence that the Intent of their coming hither was only to Seduce our People, as many of them have deserted from Us of late, We have thought it best to remove them in order to prevent any Design that may have been laid for that purpose, & their returning to Pondicherry and shall do the same by any others that may come here to offer Us their Service. The other is a Person that came out a private Soldier in your Honours Service and by having rece'd a Wound in his hand is incapable of doing any Duty.

78. The Elizabeth not being able to take in her full Tonnage by thirty Eight Cons 1749/50 10 Febry
Tons £ qr. lbs.
Tons nine hundred Weight and fourteen pounds and a half 38 : 9. ... 14½ We have accordingly protested against Captain Wills for that Deficiency & inclos'd send your Honours Copy of our said Protest. Do. Do

79. Sunca Ramah having requested of Us to transmitt Your Honours two Petitions he has taken the Liberty to address You, We have Complied with his Request and now forward the same in this Ships Packet.

80. The Amount of the Invoice of the Elizabeth's Cargo is One hundred fifty nine thousand and fifteen Pagodas, twenty Eight fanams and Seventy six Cash, (159015. 28. 76) Of that for St. Helena Six hundred and ninety Pagodas thirty four fanams and fifty seven Cash (690. 34. 57) and of the Register of Diamonds and precious Stones licensed by her twenty two thousand Six hundred and Seventy Pagodas, twenty eight fanams and seventy three Cash (22670. 28. 73).

81. Your Honours have remaining in Cash here this day, fourteen thousand three hundred and Seventy nine Pagodas, thirty five fanams & forty Cash (14379. 35. 40) We are.

Fort St. David

12th. February 1749/50.

Honourable

Your faithfull humble.

Servants.

Charles Floyer.
Edward Croke.
Stringer Lawrence.
Alexander Wynch.
Foss Westcott.
Thomas Cooke.

Postscript

The Bills of Exchange we have now drawn on your Honours by the Elizabeth payble. at Ninety days Sight and the Certificates We have granted are as follows

Bills of Exchange

For Companys Servants

Dated 1749–50. @ 8 shilling's ℘ Pagoda.

	set		Pags. fa Ca	£ s d
Janry 13th.	1	To George Jones or order value of himself	240 . .	96 . .

For Companys Servants

@ 7s : 8d ℘ Pagoda.

			Pags. fa Ca	£ s d
Janry 31st.	1	To Robert Nettleton or order value of Charles Boddam	260 31.24	100 . .
Febr. 3d.	1	To Thomas and Nicholas Crispe or order Value of John Andrews	260 31.24	100 . .
10th.	1	To Thomas Bland or order value of John Pybus	52 6.20	20 . .
	4	Sets for Companys Servants. Pags. ...	813 32.68	£316 . .

FOR FREE MERCHANTS &c^{a}

@ 7^{s}. 4^{d} ℔ Pagoda.

			Pag^{s}. fa Ca	£ s d
Feby. 3	1	To John Freeman Esqr. or order on Acco^{t}. the Heirs of Christopher Cradock value of Thomas Cooke ...	272.26.14	100 . .
In all	5	Sets Amounting to ... Pag^{s}. ...	1086.23. 2	£416 . .

Four hundred Sixteen pounds sterling, or One thousand Eighty six Pagodas, twenty three fanams and two Cash Which sum we have receiv'd into Your Cash here.

CERTIFICATES

Dated 1749–50.

	Set				
Janry 29^{h}.	1	For Pagodas four thousand one hundred and forty three receiv'd here of Captain Edward Wills on Acco^{t}. the Estate of Cap^{n}. Ambrose Lawrence deceasd late Comm^{r}. of Ship Elizabeth	4143	.	.
Febry 11^{h}.	1	For Pagodas four hundred and forty twenty three fanams and twenty six Cash receivd here of M^{r}. John Pybus on Acco^{t}. of Captain Robert Hanslapp of Ship Montfort his Adventure outward bound and the Produce thereof	440	23	26
	2	Sets Amounting to ... Pagodas ...	4583	23	26

Four thousand five hundred and Eighty three Pagodas twenty three fanams and twenty six Cash.

We are

FORT S^{T}. DAVID

HONOURABLE

12 February 1749.50.

Your faithfull hum^{ble}. Servants.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
THOMAS COOKE.

Letter to St. Helena, dated February 12, 1750. [*Public Despatches to England*, *Vol. 17*, *pages 130*, *131.*]

To the Worshipfull Charles Hutchinson Esqr.
Deputy Governour &ca. Council of St. Helena.

Worshll. Sir & Sirs.

The Royal George carried you the Duplicate of our last of the 9 Octr. as also of the Invoice with Second Bill of Lading for what We Consign'd You on the Chesterfield and We have now only to advise that by the Elizabeth You will receive Sundrys for the use of your Settlement as ꝑ Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosd, and

We are

Fort St. David

12 February 1749.50.

Worshll. Sir & Sirs,

Your most humble servants.

Charles Floyer.
Edward Croke.
Stringer Lawrence.
Alexander Wynch.
Foss Westcott.
Thomas Cooke.

Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones Licensed by the President and Council of Fort St. David to be Shipp'd on the Elizabeth Captain Edward Wills, by the following Persons in return for Coral, &ca.

		Pags.	fa.	ca.
	By Solomon Salomons Consign'd to Abraham & Jacob Franco.			
⊕ AIF N 19 & 20 ...	Two Bulses of Diamonds value	6626	29	25
	of which Ps. 2561 : 2 : 11 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads Mark'd ⊕ No. 136 imported ꝑ Eastcourt Anno 1747. Ps. 1008 : 19 : 23 is in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Coral Beads Mark'd MIF No. 11 imported ꝑ Salisbury 1746. Ps. 361 : 33 : 49 is in part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads markd IMF No. 26 imported ꝑ Caesar 1747. Pags. 951 : 6 : 14 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd I F/D N 32 imported ꝑ Cæsar 1747. Pags. 344 : 9 : 48 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd RF No. 1 imported ꝑ Cæsar 1747.			
	By Solomon Salomons Consign'd to Henry Peter Muilman & Joseph Salomons.			
MS N 3 & 4...	Two Bulses Diamonds value ... ... In full returns for two Chests Silver markd MS No. 4 & 5 imported ꝑ Dragon 1749.	5452	2	13
	By Salamon Franco Consignd to Abraham & Jacob Franco.			

Mark			Pag^s^.	fa.	ca.
F A I N 2	...	One Bulse of Diamonds, Value ... ... of which P^s^. 3042 : 21 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd A I (F) N°. 5 imported ꝑ Brittania 1749. P^s^. 1552 : 28 : 40 is in part returns for a Chest of Coral mark'd ⊕ N°. 2 imported ꝑ Walpole 1749. By SALAMON FRANCO Consign'd to ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO.	4595	13	40
AI F N 1 2 3	...	Three Chests of Garnetts Value ... ... In part returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd AI F N°. 6 imported ꝑ Walpole 1749. By DAVID LOPEZ FERNANDES & SAMUEL DE CASTRO Consigned to DAVID DE CASTRO.	1210	12	0
DC N°. 1	...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... of which P^s^. 833 : 28 : 29 is in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Silver mark'd ADC. N°. 1 imp̃ted ꝑ Britannia 1749. P^s^. 500 upon Account of the Consigners. By DAVID LOPEZ FERNANDES & SAMUEL DE CASTRO Consignd to BENJAMIN MENDES DA COSTA.	1333	28	29
BM DC N 1	...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... of which P^s^. 1627 : 33 : 50 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral Mark'd IBC N 5 imported ꝑ Severn 1749. P^s^. 637 : 4 : — is in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Silver mark'd A.P.L. / 1 I / DM No. 1 imported ꝑ Britannia 1749. By PETRO PAULO Consignd to JACOB MOSES MACHOR.	2265	1 5	[...]
+ PP N 1	...	One Box of Stones of Different sorts Value ... By SOLOMON SALOMONS consign'd to NATAL LEVI SONSINO.	412	0	0
RE N°. 1	...	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In full returns for a Chest of Coral Beads markd RE N 1 imported ꝑ Cæsar Anño 1747.	269	0	36

			Pag^s.	fa.	ca.
		By LEVY MOSES consign'd to JOHN GODDARD and HENRY MOSES.			
LM	...	One Bulse of Diamonds value	506	13	40
		Pagodas ...	22670	28	73

FORT S^T. DAVID 12 FEB^Y: 1749/50.

CHARLES BOURCHIER,
Secy.

MANIFEST OF SUNDRYS LICENSED BY THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF Fort S^T. DAVID to BE SHIPP'D ON BOARD THE ELIZABETH FOR PRESENTS VIZ^T.

By WILLIAM SMYTH KING.

One Parcel directed To Miss Florentia & Frances King cont^s. Viz^t.

Cambrick ... ... 4 Peices.

By SOLOMON SALOMONS.

One Parcel directed To M^r. David Salomons Contents unknown.

By M^r. FOSS WESTCOTT.

One Parcel directed to M^r. Henry Moses containing Viz^t.

Long Cloth ... ... 4 Peices

Muslin ... ... 4 D^o.

By M^r. JOHN PYBUS.

One Parcel directed to M^r. Francis Magnus cont^s: Viz^t.

Cambrick ... ... 6 Peices.

Handkerchifs ... ... 2 d^o.

By M^r. TIMOTHY TULLIE.

One Bundle directed to Captn Timothy Tullie cont^s. Viz^t.

Cambrick ... ... 6 Peices.

By M^r. ROBERT GOODERE.

One Bundle mark'd IG to be deliver'd to John Goodere Esqr:

Contents unknown

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CHARLES BOURCHIER,
Secy.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN E. WILLS, DATED FEBRUARY 12,1750. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 17, pp. 134, 135.*]

TO CAPT. EDWARD WILLS
OF SHIP ELIZABETH

SIR

You are hereby orderd to repair on Board your Ship and make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Brittain Herewith are deliver'd you Two Box Packets mark'd A & B directed To the Honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, at their House in Leaden Hall Street London, The first Port you arrive at in England You are to send your Purser overland with that mark'd A, which he is to deliver as directed taking care to write to them yourself, and to give them an Account of anything remarkable you may meet with in the Voyage. The other Packet markd B you are to keep on board till further orders from them.

If You touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour & Council of St. Helena, that you carry them a supply of Plants Garden Seeds &ca.

We wish You a good Voyage and Date this in Fort St. David this 12th. day of February 1749/50.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
THOMAS COOKE.

WE CHARLES FLOYER Esqr. President & Governour &ct. Council of Fort St. David in behalf of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies do Protest against You Captain Edward Wills Commander of Ship Elizabeth and against the Charter Party Men and Owners of the said Ship for all Damages that may accrue to the said United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, for not receiving on board the four hundred and Ninety Eight (498) Tons the said Ship is let for as Stipulated in her Charter Party by Thirty eight Tons, nine hundred Weight, & fourteen Pounds and a half (Tons. cwt. qr. lb.) 38 : 9 : 0 : 14½ Dated in Fort St. David this 11 day of Febry 1749/50.

CHARLES FLOYER.
EDWARD CROKE.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
ALEXANDER WYNCH.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
THOMAS COOKE.

LIST OF BOOKS IN THE PACKET ℘ ELIZABETH MARKD B.
FORT ST. DAVID.

No. 1.	Diaries & Consultations ...	1749	From 1 Janry 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.
2.	Ditto	1750	From 1st. Janry. To 12 Feby. 1749.
3.	Letters Receivd No. 1 to 129	1749	From 1st Janry 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.
4.	Letters Receivd No. 1 to 13.	1750	From 1st. Janry To 12 Feby. 1749/50.
5.	Letters Sent No. 1 to 141.	1749	From 1st. Janry 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.

6. Ditto No. 1 to 17	1750	From 1st. Janry To 12 Feby.	1749/50.
7. Country Letters Receivd & Sent	1749	From 1st. Janry 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.	
8. Cash Accounts	1749	From 1st. Janry 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.	
9. Ditto	1750	From 1st. Jany. To 12 Feby.	1749/50.
10. Cowles & Commissions ..	1749	From Janry 1748/9. To Decr. 1749.	
11. Ditto	1750	From 1st. Jaury To 12 Feby.	1749/50.
12. Ship book	1749	From 1st. Janry 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.	
13. Journal XX	1748	From 1st. May 1748. To 30 April 1749.	
14. Leidger XX	1748	From 1st. May 1748. To 30 April 1749.	
15. Paymasters Accounts ...	1749	From 1st. Janry 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.	
16. Military Paymasters Accounts	1749	From 1st. March 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.	
17. Journal } Export Ware- 18. Leidger } house ...	1749	From 1st. May 1748. To 31 April 1749.	
19. Journal Parcells ...	1749	From 1st. May To 31 Decr.	1749.
20. Journal } Import Ware- 21. Leidger } house ...	1749	From Novr. 1748. To April 1749.	
22. Import Warehouse Journal Parcells ...	1749	From 1st. May To 31 Decr.	1749.
23. Export Warehouse Journal Parcells ...	1749	From 1st. May To 31 Decr.	1749.
24. Mint Accounts	1749	From 1st. Jany 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.	
25. Cuddalore Sea Customs...	1749	From 1st. Janry 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.	
26. Cuddalore Land Customs.	1749	From 1st. Janry 1748/9. To 31 Decr. 1749.	
27. Tevenapatam Customs ...	1749	From 1st. Janry To 31 Decr.	1749.

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28. Diaries & Consultations.	1746	From 1st. Janry 1745/6. To 30 May 1746.	
29. Diaries & Consultations.	1749	From 11 Novr. To 31 Decr.	1749.
30. Letters sent...No. 1 to 123.	1746	From 1st. Janry 17456 . To 5 Sepr. 1746.	
31. Letters receiv'd ... No. 1 to 129	1746	From 1st. Janry 1745/6. To 26 Augt. 1746.	
32. Import Warehouse Journal	1746	From 31st. Janry 1745/6. To 31 May 1746.	
33. Paymasters Accounts ...	1746	From 31st. July To Octr.	1746.

34. Paymasters Accounts ...	1749	From 31 Augt. To 31 Decr.	1749.
35. Mint Accounts	1746	From March To July	1746.
36. Land Customs	1746	From March To July	1746.
37. Cash Book	1746	From Janry 1745/6. To Feby. 1748.	
38. Export Warehouse Accounts	1746	From Janry 1745/6. To May 1746.	

39. Duplicate Proceedings of the Commissaries appointed to receive Madras from the French.

40. Letter from Mr. George Jones to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. George concerning his Accounts with Mr. Moses & Mr. Moses's Letter in answer thereto & his Remarks on Mr. Jones's Accounts.

Ingeram

41. Journal	1749	From 1st. May 1748. To 31 April 1749.
42. Leidger	1749	From 1st. May 1748. To 31 April 1749.

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List of Papers in the Fort St. David Packet to England ℔ Elizabeth mark'd A.

No. 1. Seperate Letter to the Honble Court of Directors ℔ Elizabeth dated 12 February 1749/50.

2. General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors ℔ Elizabeth dated 12 February 1749/50.

3. Duplicate General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors ℔ Royal George dated 2 November 1749.

4. Triplicate General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors ℔ His Majesty's Ship Exeter dated 18 October 1749.

5. Invoice of the Elizabeth's Cargo amounting to Pags: 159015, 28 fa, 7 ca. [...]

6. First Bill of Lading for Ditto.

7. Duplicate Invoice of the Royal Georges Cargo amounting to Pagodas 153377, 8, 53.

8. Second Bill of Lading for Ditto.

9. Calculate of the Elizabeth's Tonnage.

10. List of Packing stuff on 1600 Bales ℔ Elizabeth.

11. Muster Roll of Elizabeth's Crew.

12. List of the Elizabeth's Ammunition & Warlike Stores.

13. Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones licenced ℔ Elizabeth.

14. Duplicate Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones ℔ Royal George.

15. Manifest of Presents Licensed ℔ Elizabeth.

16. Copy of a Protest against Captn Edward Wills for not receiving on board his Charter Party Tonnage.

17. Captn Thomas Fields second Receipt for his Packet.

18. List of Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Choromandel.

19. List of Inhabitants at Fort St. David & Fort St. George.

N°. 20. Register of Births, Christnings, Marriages & Burials.

21. List of Persons who have died under the care of the Surgeons with their Distemper Anno 1749.

22. List of Revenues from the 1st. Jan̄ry. 1748/9 to Ulto. Decemr. 1749.

23. List of Debts Outstanding in the General Books X X ending April 1749.

24. Copy of Captn Wills's Dispatch.

25. Account of Quick Stock.

26. Account of Mint Customs for the Year 1748 and 1749.

27. Abstract of Sea & Land Customs of Cuddalore for the Year 1749 Compared with 1748.

28. Abstract of the Tevenepatam Customs for the Year 1749 Compared with 1748.

29. Abstract of the Allowances made to the Company's Servants both Civil & Military.

30. Indent of Woolen Goods &ca. for the Import Warehouse.

31. Indent of Stores for sale & Use for the Year 1751.

32. Indent for Mint Necessaries.

33. Indent for Medecines &ca. for the use of the Hospital.

34. Duplicate Indent for Military Stores for the Garrison of Fort St. David.

35. Import Warehousekeepers Account Remains to the 31st. Jany. 1749/50.

36. Military Storekeepers Account Remains taken 31st. Decr. 17[49].

37. An Account Sale of Lead.

38. Suncha Vencata Ramah & Umballaddy Chitty their Account with the Hon̄ble Company, as also Tellisingah Chitty & Moola Comrapah's; with Remarks thereon by the Accomptant of Fort St. George.

39. Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah & Nella Chitty, Copy of their Account with the Hon̄ble Company at Fort St. George.

40. Tellisingah Chitty & Condapah Chitty, their Letter to the Hon̄ble Court of Directors.

41. Two Petitions from Sunca Vencata Ramah to the Hon̄ble Court of Directors.

42. Duplicate Account of Treasure receivd from Europe by the several Ships from January to September 1749 and what part thereof has been sent to Bengal & China.

43. Duplicate Account of Seamen belonging to the Princess Mary & Princess Emelia.

44. Duplicate Extract from the Fort St. David Diaries and Consultations of the 11 February 1690/91 Relating to the Dutch Factory.

45. Duplicate Military Storekeepers Account of Artillery Stores &ca. receivd from His Majesty's Commissary July 12th. 1749.

46. Duplicate Military Storekeepers Account of Ordnance &ca. receivd from His Majesty's Ships in Fort St. David.

47. Duplicate Military Storekeepers Account of Stores rec̄d from Fort St. David, His Majesty's, Squadron, & the French at Madras.

48. Captn Edward Wills's first Receipt for 1250 Pagodas taken upon Charterparty, dated 29th. Jan̄ry 1749/50.

49. Captn Edward Wills's second Receipt for 1500 Pagodas taken upon Charterparty, dated 18 Octr. 1749.

50. Captn William Mortimore's second Receipt for 1000 Pags. taken upon Charter Party, dated 25 October 1749.

No. 51. Mr. John Dixon Paymaster to the Royal Train his second Receipt for 300 Pagodas, paid him in part for Ordnance Stores, dated 28th. September 1749.

52. Captn Robert Osborne's Receipt for 996 Pagodas taken up of the late President & Council of Fort St. George on the Princess Mary's Charter-party.

53. Captn Edward Wills's first Receipt for Rups. 1114. 2. 6 paid him for Sundry Warlike Stores dated 5th. February 1749/50.

54. Captn Edwin Carters second Receipt for Pags. 638, 27, 60 paid him for Sundry Warlike Stores deliver'd from Ship Chesterfield dated 10th. October 1749.

55. Captn George Cuming his second Receipt for Rups. 3278. 8. 2 paid him for sundry Warlike Stores dated 6th. July 1749.

56. Purser of Ship Fort St. George his second Receipt for Pags. 597. 6. 60 paid him for Sundry Warlike Stores deliver'd from that ship, dated 3d. October 1749.

57. First Protest of Marut Mercar's Bill of Exchange drawn on Michael Gregory.

58. Rodolph D'Gingen and Andrew Munro's Affidavit relating to Mr. Barnewall.

59. Attested Copy's of two Notes sign'd by Mr. Barnewall for Quartering the French Officers at Madras.

60. A Letter from Major Lawrence to the Honble Court of Directors.

61. Govindah Chitty & Tonneveroy Pilla's Accot. Currt. ...	For the year 1749.
62. Andeapah Moodelair[e] &ca. Merchts their Accot. Currt.	
63. Tremungalum Comrapah & Linga Chitty's Accot. Currt.	
64. Irshapah Chitty &ca. Merchts their Accot. Currt. ...	
65. Nella Tomby Chitty & Sadashavareddee's Accot. Currt.	

66. List of Books in the Packet ℘ Elizabeth mark'd B.

67. Export Warehouse Keepers Account Remains to the 31st. Janry.

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68. Muster Rolls of the Military at Fort St. David & Deve Cotah.

69. Duplicate Surgeons Accounts with his Majesty's Squadron from August 1748 to September 1749.

70. Duplicate Surgeons Camp Accounts with the General's order.

71. Storekeepers Account Remains to the 31st. Janry. 1749/50.

72. Musters of Gold & Silver.

73. Fort St. George Papers containing

No. 1. General Account of Payment of Covenanted Servants &ca. 1st. Janry 1749/50.
2. List of Marriages Births & Burials for 1749 & 1746.
3. Surgeons Indent for Medecines for the Year 1751.
4. Surgeons List of Deaths for 1749.
5. Muster Roll of Bombay Seapoys 31st. Decr. 1749.
6. Muster Roll of Peons 31st. Decemr. 1749.

74. Fort St. George List of Military, with the time of their Entring, Relisting, Deaths Discharges &ca.

75. Fort St. George Muster Rolls, of the Troop of Horse, 4 Companies of Foot & Train of Artillary.

FORT ST. DAVID 12 Feby. 1749/50

CHAS. BOURCHIER
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General Letter to the Company, dated September 26, 1750. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 18 pages 1 to 3*].

To the Honourable the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the Honourable the
United Company of Merchants of England
trading to the East Indies.

Honourable

The last Address to your Honours from this Presidency was under date the 13th. February ⅌ the Elizabeth Capt Edward Wills, which Ship sail'd the next day, the Gentlemen in Bengal having Ordered the Lapwing to call here for any Advices We might have, gives Us an Opportunity of informing You of the arrival and departure of the following Ships, Vizt.

Portfield ...	arrived 6th. May	& Sail'd 4th. June	for China
York ...	8th. June	13th. June	China
Prince Edward.	14th. June	16th. June	China
Lynn ...	6th. July	14th. July	Bengal
Grantham ...	14th. July	27th. July	China
[L]ondon ...	24th. August	7th. September	Vizagapatam and Bengal
[Ke]nt ...	31st. August	15th. September	Bengal
[B]enjamin ...	4th. September	15th. September	Bengal
Norfolk ...	21st. September & will Sail for Bengal in a few days.		

By these Ships we were favoured with your several Commands of the 3d. November, 8th. December, 12th. January and 22d. March 1749.

Major Stringer Lawrence being the only one on the spot to whom your Packet by the Lynn was directed, transmitted Copy of the Letter of the 12th. January to the Gentlemen at Madras, who were pleased to commit the Care of this Settlement to his Charge, and Order the Brilliant Snow to Vizagapatam to bring up Mr. Saunders, who arrived here the 19th. Instant; Messrs. Goodwin and Greenhaugh declin'd your Service on account of their ill state of Health; the several Stations of the Council, will be fix'd before the Dispatch of the Fort St. George, and due regard had to Your Honour's Directions relating thereto.

We were sorry to hear by the Grantham of the Loss of the Duke of Cumberland, the particulars of that unfortunate Accident you will be acquainted with by the Dorrington Captain Crabb, on whom some of her People return'd.

On the several Ships dispatch'd to the Bay was sen[t] what Bullion could be Coined in time, and shall replace the whole amount of that ⅌ Norfolk, and hope to be able to dispatch her in a few days.

By the Elizabeth your Honours were advised of the Fort St. George being sent to Madagascar; She return'd the 7th. Instant with One hundred & fourteen Caffrey's, and the Swallow arrived here the 28th. August with Two hundred and forty five; For the reasons then mention'd, and Captain Bell setting forth in a Letter to Us the insufficiency of his Ship's Company for such a Voyage, we shall decline sending him again; and as he represents he is not able to carry more than 150 or 160, we shall reserve the remainder for your Service here. This Vessell is now going to Madras with some Stores and the private Silver & Coral which we Landed from the Kent and Benjamin; after the delivery of which she will proceed to the West Coast, and on her return here will be dispatch'd Home.

Commodore Lisle in the Vigilant arrived here [the] 23d. Instant from a Cruize to the Eastward, where he left the Swa[llow] Captain Speck; He spoke with the True Briton in the Streights of Banca, the 18th. Ultimo, and Sail'd this morning for Fort St. Geor[ge] to join the Ruby, and take in his Stores and Provisions; The Syr[en] and Tartar are on the Malabar Coast; But the Instructions for Mr. Lisle being lodged at Madras, we can't with any Certainty inform you where he will proceed.

Mr. Robins arrived on the Grantham and has Survey'd the Works here and at Madras; with this come his Plans and observations thereon, and We shall strictly observe what you have been pleased to Direct in regard to him.

We are sorry to acquaint You the French have been too Successfull in their Destructive Scheme on this Province But as this and the other Branches of your Business, are of a very extensive nature, and require a particular Account, and not chusing to detain the Lapwing, we must beg leave [to] defer enlargeing thereon till the departure of the Fort St. Geo: which Ship is now takeing in her Loading, and We hope will be ready to Sail by the 15th. of next Month.

The Register of Diamonds by this Ship amounts to One hundred ninety three thousand, four hundred thirty two Pagodas, thirteen fanams and four Cash 193432: 13: 4.

We are
Honourable
Your Faithfull humble Servants

Fort St. David
26th. September 1750.

Thomas Saunders.
Stringer Lawrence.
Richard Starke.
Henry Powney.
George Pigot.

Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones Licenced by the President & Council of Fort St. David to be Shipp'd on the Lapwing Captain Francis Cheyne, by the following Persons in return for Coral and other Accounts.

		By Nicholas Morse Esq. to Jacob Salvador or Order			
M / F S / C	No. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Coral beads Ꝑ Houghton 1746	1096	35	9
M / F S / E	No. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Cor^l. beads Ꝑ Salisbury 1746	1233	35	30
		By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Thomas Waters or Order.			
TW	No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver Ꝑ Montfort 1749.	2511	31	37
		By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Joachim Moses or order.			
ł F	No. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Silver Ꝑ Sandwich 1749	1000	—	—
		By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Daniel Dreyer or Order.			
ℬ	No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Silver Ꝑ Severn 1749.	1000	—	—
		Carried over Pagodas ...	6842	29	76

		Brought over Pagodas ...	6842	29	76
		By Salomon Franco Consign'd to Jacob Salvador or Order.			
D S F B	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	7567	17	—
		of which Pag^s. 3489 : 29 — is in full for the remains of a Chest of Coral ℘ Griffin 1749 mark'd S D F C N°. 3 & P^s. 1000 in part for 1 Chest of Coral mark'd D°. ℘ Sandwich 1749.			
		By Salomon Franco Consign'd to Jacob Pereira or Order.			
F D	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	4697	4	52
		of which P^s. 2036 : 4 : 40 is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd FD ℘ Severn 1749. P^s. 1956 : 29 : 56 in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd D°. ℘ Lapwing 1749. 50 & P^s. 651 : 5 : 72 in part returns of a Chest of Silver mark'd S F ℘ Portfield 1750 N°. 2.			
		By Salomon Franco to Jacob de Moses Franco or Order.			
F ɫ M	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ...	5599	19	40
		of which P^s. 2028 : 18 : — is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd ɫ F M N°. 31 ℘ Britannia 1749. P^s. 1731 : 13 — in full returns for a Chest of Coral mark'd D°. N°. 29 ℘ Montfort 1749 & P^s. 1800 : 24 : 40 in full returns for a Chest of Coral marked D°. N°. 30 ℘ Augusta 1749.			
		By Salomon Franco to Moses De Jacob Franco or Order.			
F M ɫ	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	3097	24	4
		of which P^s. 1737 : 13 : 4 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral ℘ Durrington 1748 ã Bombay mark'd M F ɫ N°. 12 & P^s. 1665 : 20 : 30 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral ℘ Griffin 1749 mark'd D°. N°. 15.			
		Carried over Pagodas ...	27804	23	12

		Brought over Pagodas ...	27804	23	12
		By SALOMON FRANCO Cons^d. to ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO or Order.			
D-C	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... of which P^s. 650 : 5 : 72 in full returns for a Chest of Silver ℘ Portfield 1750 mark'd D-C N°. 1 & P^s. 140 — — in part returns for a Chest of Silver ℘ Grantham 1750 mark'd D°. N°. 2.	790	5	72
		By SALOMON FRANCO CONSIGND to PHENEAS SERRA or Order.			
ℭ	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... of which P^s. 27362 : 8 : 4 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral ℘ Montfort 1749 mark'd ℭ N°. 2.	2809	6	4
		By SALOMON FRANCO Consignd to ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO.			
A+F	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... of which P^s. 1936 : 1 : 28 is in full remains of a Chest of Silver ℘ Walpole 1749 mark'd A+F N°. 6. P^s. 1150 : 16 : 24 is in full for the remains of a Chest of Silver ℘ Walpole 1749 mark'd ✡ N°. 2. P^s. 2703 : 8 : 64 in full returns for a Chest of Silver ℘ Britannia 1749 mark'd D°. N°. 3. P^s. 1350 : 34 : 32 in full returns for a Chest of Silver ℘ Walpole 1749 mark'd BFC N°. 4. P^s. 2731 : 19 : — in full returns for a Chest of Coral ℘ Montfort 1749 mark'd FF N°. 3 & P^s. 2360 : 23 : 50 in full returns for a Chest of Coral ℘ Severn 1749 ✡ N°. 4.	14660	5	38
		By SALOMON and MOSES SOLOMONS Consign'd to ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO or Order.			
◈ AIF	N°. 21 a 23	Three Bulses of Diamonds Value ... of which P^s. 2226 : 25 : 77 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral ✡ N°. 1 ℘ Wager 1748. P^s. 3197 : 26 : 36 in full returns for a Chest of Coral mark'd D°. N°. 2 ℘ Somerset 1749. P^s. 801 : 3 : 18 in part returns of a Chest of Coral mark'd D°. N°. 3 ℘ Sandwich 1749.	14112	31	58
		Carried over Pagodas ...	60177	0	24

	Brought over Pagodas ...	60177	0	24
	Ps. 2089 : 28 : 53 in full returns for a Chest of Coral mark'd Do. No. 4 ℘ Montfort 1749.			
	Ps. 289 : 6 : 6 in part return for a Chest of Coral mark'd Do. No. 5 ℘ Augusta 1749.			
	Ps. 2489 : 27 : 28 in full returns for a Chest of Coral mark'd Do. No. 6 ℘ Griffiin 1749.			
	Ps. 1696 : 9 — in full returns for a Chest of Coral mark'd ⸸ F M No. 26 ℘ Cæsar 1747.			
	Ps. 1313 : 12 : 20 in full returns for a Chest of Coral mark'd ⸸ D F No. 30 ℘ Houghton 1746.			
	By Salomon & Moses Salomons Consigned to Messrs. Thomas & Joseph Godfrey or Order.			
₢ No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral beads mark'd ₢ No. 1 ℘ Brittannia 1749	2572	33	73
	By Ditto Consign'd to Natal Levi Sonsino or Order.			
N L S No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral beads mark'd N L S No. 1 ℘ Severn 1749	557	1	35
	By Ditto Consign'd to Aaron Franks or Order.			
₤ No. L	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd ₤ No. L ℘ Lapwing 1750	779	5	13
	By Ditto Consign'd to Messrs. Peter Meyer & Compy or Order.			
✠ P No. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral beads mark'd ✠ P No. 4 ℘ Lapwing 1750	953	15	—
	By Ditto Consign'd to Samson Gideon or Order.			
SGE No. 2 & 3	Two Bulses Diamonds Value of which	4087	28	16
	Ps. 2043 : 32 : 8 is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd S G No. 2 ℘ Sandwich 1749 &			
	Ps. 2043 : 32 : 8 in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd Do. No. 3 ℘ Griffin 1749.			
	Carried over Pagodas ...	69127	12	1

	Brought over Pagodas ...	69127	12	1
	By Salomon & Moses Salomons Consigned to Aaron Goldsmid or Order.			
S M S No. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd S M S No. 4 ℔ Britannia 1749	1362	1	55
	By Ditto Consign'd to Abraham Heyman Levy or Order.			
AHL No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd AHL No. 2 ℔ Britannia 1749	1089	16	26
	By Ditto Consign'd to Issac Siprut de Gabay or Order.			
ISDG No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd ISDG No. 2 ℔ Sandwich 1749	2383	27	36
	By Ditto Consign'd to Henry & Peter Muilman & Jos. Solomons or Order.			
H S PM No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Silver mkd. H S PM No. 2 ℔ Severn 1749	2691	5	48
	By Salomon & Moses Solomons Consign'd to Moses Espineza or Order.			
ME No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads, marked ME No. 1 ℔ Salisbury 1746 ...	341	18	76
	By Salomon & Moses Salomons Consign'd to Naphtali Franks or Order.			
NF No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd NF No. 1 ℔ Severn 1749	2691	5	48
	By D°. D°. Consigned to David Salomons or Order.			
D S MR No. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for two Chests of Silver mark'd D S MR No. 3 & 4 ℔ Walpole 1749	3406	33	63
	By D°. D°. Consign'd to Henry Lascelles Esq[r]. or Ord[r].			
DL No. 1 & 2	Two Bulses of Diamonds in full returns for three Chests of Silver mark'd DL No. 1, 2 & 3 ℔ Lapwing 1750 ...	8121	6	9
	By D°. D°. Consign'd to Mess[es]. Aaron Franks & David Solomons or Order.			
A S F No. 10 & 11	Two Bulses of Diamonds Value ...	7254	4	40
	Carried over Pagodas ...	98468	24	2

	Brought over Pagodas ...	98468	24	2
	By Salomon & Moses Solomons Consign'd to Abraham & Jacob Franco or Order.			
[mark] N°. 1 & 2	Two Chests Garnets in further part returns of a Chest of Coral beads mark'd [mark] N°. 5 ℘ Augusta 1749 ...	202	12	—
	By Messrs. Charles Boddam & Salomon Solomons Consign'd to Natal Levi Sonsino or Order.			
[mark] N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral and Amber beads mark'd [mark] N°. 1 ℘ Prince William 1748	1009	32	74
	By D°. D°. Consigned to Ditto.			
LC N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral beads mark'd LC N°. 1 ℘ Ditto	860	3	7
	By D°. D°. Consigned to Ditto.			
FB/NS N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest Rough Coral mark'd FB/NS N°. 1 ℘ Ditto	557	8	8
	By D°. D°. Consign'd to Ditto.			
LS N°. 21	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral beads mark'd LS N°. 21 ℘ Ditto	1398	2	8
	By Ephraim Issac Consign'd to Henry Isaac or Order.			
HI N°. 1 & 2	Two Bulses of Diamonds in further part returns for Twenty eight thousand Ounces of Silver ℘ Ships, Montfort, Sandwich & Severn 1749	4941	21	30
	By Ephraim Isaac Consign'd to Messrs. Steed & Debonaire or Order.			
SD N°. 8	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part returns for Twelve thousand Ounces of Silver ℘ Montfort 1749	9001	—	—
	By Ephraim Issac Consign'd to Joseph Solomons or Order.			
IS N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part returns for eight thousand Ounces of Silver ℘ Montfort 1749	600	—	—
	By William Smyth King & Levy Moses Consign'd to Levy & Reuben Solomons or Order.			
LRS N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part returns for Ten Chests of Silver mark'd LRS N°. 1 to 10 ℘ Dragon, Sandwich, Montfort, & Severn 1749.	7500	—	—
	Carried over Pagodas ...	116437	31	49

	Brought over Pagodas ...	116437	31	49
	By WILLIAM SMYTH KING & LEVY MOSES Consign'd to LEVY & REUBEN SOLOMONS or Order.			
E MBH No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds being on Account the Estate of MOSES BEREND HEYMAN deceased	2500	—	—
	By Do. ... ... Do. Consigne'd to GEORGE ARNOLD Esqr. & JOSEPH SOLOMONS or Order.			
CAS No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part returns for six Chests of Silver mark'd CAS No. 1 a 6 ꝑ Sandwich & Montfort 1749	6000	—	—
	By Do. ... ... Do. Consign'd to Mr. HENRY MUILMAN & JOSEPH SOLOMONS or Order.			
M ✡ S No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part returns for five Chests of Silver mark'd M ✡ S No. 1 a 5 ꝑ Dragon 1749	4000	—	—
	By Do. ... Do. ... Consign'd to Mr. JOHN SARJENT or Order.			
4SC No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part returns for four Chests of Silver mark'd 4SC No. 2 ꝑ Ships, Griffin, Sandwich, Montfort & Augusta: 1749.	5000	—	—
	By Do. ... Do. ... Consign'd to Messrs. ARON NORDEN & SALOMON NORDEN or Order.			
ASN No. 6	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns of two Chests of Silver mark'd ASN No. 5 & 6 ꝑ Severn 1749	2878	14	68
	By Do. ... Do. ... Consign'd to JOSEPH SOLOMON or Order.			
MBH No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Silver mark'd MBH No. 1 ꝑ Sandwich. this Bulse is on Account the Estate of DAVDI JOSEPH SOLOMON deceased ...	1702	7	76
	By D . ... Do. ... Consign'd to Mr. ARON GOLDSMID or Order.			
AG No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full for the remains of two Chests Silver mark'd MBH No. 1 & 2 ꝑ Walpole & Severn 1749	1619	10	44
	BY WILLIAM SMYTH KING & LEVY MOSES Consignd to Mr. DAVID LEVY or Order.			
DL No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Silver mark'd DL No. 1 ꝑ Sandwich ...	337	35	2
	Carried over Pagodas ...	104475	27	79

	Brought over Pagodas ...	104475	27	79
	By WILLIAM SMYTH KING & LEVY MOSES Consign'd to MESSrs. KEINMAN & WILSON or Order.			
SW N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part returns for a Box of Jewells mark'd MB4 N° 1 ꝑ Princess Mary 1746, and two boxes Jewells mark'd MB4 N°. 2 & 3 ꝑ Bombay Castle 1747 ...	503	—	—
	BY LEVY MOSES, Consignd to BENJAMIN MENDEZ DA COSTA or Order.			
4BM N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Coral mark'd 4BM N°. 1 ꝑ Colchester 1748	1397	31	30
	By DITTO Consignd to DITTO.			
MB N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for the remains of a Chest of Coral mark'd MB N°. 1 ꝑ Ship Marlborough 1748	920	35	68
	By DITTO Consignd to DITTO.			
M S B F N°. 3	One Bulse Value	195	4	58
	BY DAVID LOPEZ FERNANDES & SAMUEL DE CASTRO Consign'd to BENJAMIN MENDES DE COSTA or Order.			
BMC N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value of which	5467	30	7
	Ps. 2715. 20. 27 is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd M N°. 3 ꝑ Montfort 1749.			
	Ps. 7671—44 in full returns for a Chest of Coral mark'd BC N°. 1 ꝑ Britannia 1749.			
	Ps. 638. 13—in full returns of a Chest of Silver mark'd M N°. 1 ꝑ Britannia 1749.			
	Ps. 512. 30. 15 in full returns of a Chest of Coral mark'd M N°. 1 ꝑ Britannia 1749.			
	Ps. 57, 23, 28 in full returns for a Chest of Coral & Pearls mark'd EM N°. 1 ꝑ Britannia 1749.			
	Ps. 776. 14. 53 in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd M N°. 1 ꝑ Britannia 1749.			
	By D°. ... D°. ... Consign'd to DITTO.			
BMC N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value of which	10547	24	44
	Ps. 2700. 29—is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd 4BC N°. 4 ꝑ Walpole 1749.			
	Ps. 2692. 6—in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd 4BC N°. 3 ꝑ Walpole 1749.			
	Carried over Pagodas ...	159490	10	46

...	Brought over Pagodas ...	159490	10	46
	Ps. 2715. 17. 66 in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd 4BC No. 2 ℘ Britannia 1749.			
	Ps. 1081 22. 40 in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd AL No. 1 ℘ Severn 1749.			
	Ps. 1357. 21. 18: in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd AM No. 2 ℘ Walpole 1749.			
	By DAVID LOPES FERNANDEZ & SAMUEL DE CASTRO Consd. to JACOB BERNALL or Order.			
4B4 No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mar'kd 4B4 No. 1 ℘ Ship Britannia 1749 ...	440	17	31
	By Do. ... Do. ... Consign'd to JOSHUA ISRAEL BRANDAS or Order.			
I-B No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... of which	917	26	51
	Ps. 265. 22. 45 is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd HB No. 1 ℘ Britannia 1749.			
	Ps. 652. 4. 6 in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd LC No. 2 ℘ Portfield 1750.			
	By Do. ... Do. ... Consign'd to JACOB PEREIRA or Order.			
4P No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... of which	1327	35	16
	Ps. 675. 31. 10 is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd LF No. 1 ℘ Severn 1749.			
	Ps. 652. 4. 6 in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd FLD No. 1 ℘ Portfield 1750.			
	By Do. ... Do. ... Consign'd to ABRAHAM FERNANDEZ NUNES or Order.			
NF No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd NF No. 1 ℘ Britannia 1749	899	4	2
	By Do. ... Do. ... Consign'd to FRANCIS CREURÊ or Order.			
FC No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Jewells mark'd FC No. 1 ℘ Britannia 1749	493	34	58
	By Do. ... Do. ... Consignd to JOSEPH MELLISH Esqr. or Order.			
4M No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd 4M No. 1 ℘ Portfield 1750	1129	—	64
	Carried over Pagodas ...	164698	21	28

	Brought over Pagodas ...	164698	21	28
	By David Lopes Fernandes & Samuel de Castro Consign'd to Messrs. Joseph Emmett & Isaac Lopes Dias or Order.			
EDL No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mkd EDL No. 1 ℘ Britannia 1749	1571	11	56
	By David Slopes Fernandes, & Samuel de Castro, Consign'd to David de Castro or Order.			
MDC No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mkd MDC No. 2 ℘ Severn 1749	1352	2	2
	By Do. ... Do. ... Consign'd to Messrs. Moses de Mattos & David de Castro or Order.			
SDC No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mkd SDC No. 1 ℘ Portfield 1750	1113	13	3
	By Do. ... Do. ... Consign'd to Benjamin Mendes de Costa or Order.			
BMC No. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... of which	5309	31	10
	Ps. 2704. 16. 50 is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd AM No. 3 ℘ Severn 1749.			
	Ps. 577. 16. 70 in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd MI No. 1 ℘ Severn 1749.			
	Ps. 675. 31. 30 in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd IE No. 1 ℘ Severn 1749.			
	Ps. 1352. 2. 20 in full returns for a Chest of Silver markd NT No. 2 ℘ Severn 1749.			
	By Charles Floyer Esq. Consign'd to John Turner or Order.			
CF No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value ...	2500	—	—
	By Charles Floyer & Levy Moses Consignd to Nathan Solomons or Order.			
NS No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for three Chests of Silver mark'd NS No. 1, 2, 3, ℘ Walpole, Britannia & Severn 1749	3929	24	71
	Carried over Pagodas ...	183251	31	21

	Brought over Pagodas ...	183251	31	21
	By Charles Floyer Esqr. & William Perceval Consign'd to Matthews Beachcroft or Order.			
VN N°. 12	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Coral beads mark'd VN N°. 12 ℘ Griffin 1749 ...	2776	34	73
	By Levy Moses Consign'd to Messrs. Salomon Norden & Aron Norden or Order.			
ASN N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for four Chests of Silver mark'd ASN N°. 1, 2, 3, 4, ℘ Sandwich & Montfort 1749	4084	20	60
	By Levy Moses Consign'd to Messrs. Levy & Reuben Solomons or Order.			
LRS N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for three Chests of Silver mark'd LRS N°. 7 G+LM N°. 1, 2, ℘ Somersett, Sandwich & Montfort 1749 ...	3419	29	8
	By Ditto Consign'd to Assur Isaac Levy or Order.			
MP N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for two Chests of Silver mark'd G+M N°. 3, 4 ℘ Montfort and Sandwich 1749	1588	35	34
	By Ditto Consignd to Messrs. Francis Crueze & Henry Moses or Order.			
H F C N°. 2 M	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd H F C M N°. 2 ℘ Severn 1749	1087	4	41
	Pagodas	193432	13	4

Fort St. David

26th. September 1750.

Chas. Bourchier,
Secty.

N.B.—A Bulse of Diamonds mark'd W W
P N°. 1 Value Pag. 1737 — —
Shipp'd by Mr. Wm. Perceval, and Consign'd to Richard Wyat & James Whitchurch or Order, was sent by the Lapwing, but Omitted to be Registered by the miscarriage of a Letter.

Letter to Captain F. Cheyne, dated September 27, 1750.
[*Public Despatches to England, vol.* 18, *pages 12 & 13.*]

To Captain Francis Cheyne
Commander of Ship Lapwing

Sir

You are hereby Ordered to repair on board your Ship, and make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain. The first place you arrive at in England you are to send your Purser Overland with the Packet herewith delivered You, Directed to the Honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies, at their House in Leadenhall Street, London takeing Care to write to them yourself and to give them an Account of any thing remarkable you may meet with in your Voyage.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour & Council of S^t. Helena, that you carry them a supply of Garden Seeds Plants, &c^a.

We wish you a good Voyage and date this in Fort S^T. David, the 27th. day of September 1750.

Thomas Saunders.
Stringer Lawrence.
Richard Starke.
Henry Powney.
George Pigot.

List of Papers in the Fort S^T. David Packet to England ℘ Ship Lapwing.

N°. 1. General Letter ℘ Lapwing dated 26th. September 1750.
2. Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones Licenced ℘ Lapwing.
3. Manifest of Presents Licenced ℘ Lapwing.
4. Letter from Major Stringer Lawrence to the Honble Court of Directors, with the Returns of the Garrisons on the Coast.
5. Copy of Capt Cheyne's Dispatch, dated the 27th. September 1750.

Apart.

6. Letter and Plans from Benjamin Robins Esq.

Fort S^T. David
27th. September 1750.

Chas. Bourchier,
Sec^ty.

General Letter to the Company, dated October 24, 1750.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 18, pages 14 to 36*].

To the Honourable the Court of Directors
for affairs of the Honourable the
United Company of Merchants of
England Trading to the East Indies.

Honourable

1. The Lapwing Sail'd the 28th. Ultimo, with Our Address of the 26th. Duplicate of which and the Letters from this Presidency of the 12th. February, come in this Packet.

2. This waits on Your Honours by the Fort S^{t}. George, We shall now reply to your severals this Season, wh^{ch}. we acknowledged the receipt of ℘ Lapwing, and acquaint you with the material relating to your Affairs under the Establish'd Heads.

FIRST, CONCERNING SHIPPING.

Consult. 18th. Septem^{r}. 3. On the Fort S^{t}. George's return from Madagascar, we ordered her to be surveyed, and being Reported in a fit Condition to proceed to Europe, we now dispatch her to You.

4. The Augusta who we before advised arrived here the 26th. December from Malacca, sail'd for China the 27th. April.

Ltres reced No. 85. 5. The Walpole loseing her Passage to Juddah went to Bombay, from whence after taking in a Cargo of Cotton she proceeded to Bengal.

6. The Britannia met with the same Accident and could not get round Ceylon, wherefore she came here the 2^{d}. May, and continued with Us till the 28th. June, when she proceeded for Bombay, where we have the Satisfaction to acquaint you, Lt^{r}es reced No. 85. the Warren arrived the 9th. June, though in a very bad Condition, having met with a Gale of Wind the 19th. May which carried away all her Masts, and damaged her Cargo greatly.

7. The Severn though she succeeded in gaining her Passage to Bombay arrived there so late, that she was obliged to continue there the Rains. In her return from thence for the Bay, the President and Council Ordered her to call here to have Ltres reced No. 96. Coined twenty five Chests of Bullion, they had put on board her and Consign'd to the President and Council of Fort William which we replaced with the Rupees, and she Sail'd the 6th. Septem after a Detention here of not quite three Days.

Ltres reced No. 20. 56. 63. 8. We are advised from Anjengo that the Duke of Newcastle was dispatch'd Home from thence the 25th. January as also the Dragon the 4th. March, and the Salisbury the 11th. following ; and from Tellicherry that the Stafford left that Place for China the 6th. May.

9. The Lord Anson bound for Bombay was at Johanna when the Kent left that Place the 31st. July.

10. After Landing the One hundred and fifty Pipes of Madeira Wine and Treasure from the Norfolk, and replacing the latter with Rupees, We dispatch'd her to Bengal, where we hope she will arrive in such time that the same may conduce to the Tonnage designed home.

11. By the Lapwing we gave our reasons for not sending the Swallow to Madagascar ; she Sail'd the 17th. Instant with 160 Slaves for the West Coast with Orders to the Deputy Governour & Council to return her to Us, with the utmost Expedition that We may be able to dispatch her Home in January.

12. By Your Vessel the Brillant We complied with the West Coast Indent, and directed the Gentlemen there after the delivery of the same to send her to Batavia for the purchasing some Arrack, which we are much in want of for Our Military; and Timber and Plank, which M^{r}. Robins represents to Us absolutely necessary for the Fortifications.

13. Our best endeavours shall not be wanting to contribute to the sending home as many of your Ships this Season as possible. Upon a Calculation of the Tonnage we might reasonably expect in January, We have wrote to the Gentlemen in Bengal to send up two Ships half Loaden, which we shall be able to fill up if not prevented by some very particular Accident.

14. We have been applied to by the President and Council of Bombay for Ltres reced No. 85. Our Assistance to dispatch Home two Ships, which by their not having Tonnage for, will be obliged to Continue in India ; but as those your Honour's have been pleased to Consign to this Coast and the Bay, this and the last year, are more than it will be in the Power of the President & Council of Fort William and Ourselves to find Cargoes for this Season, We could give them no Encouragement to send them Round to Us.

15. Captain Taylor has made Application to Us to be paid the same Wages and Allowances as he received when in Command of the Tryal, for the Months of January, February & March; being paid on the same Terms to that time by the Gentlemen in Bengal, but as your Directions were only to provide for him when Opportunity offered, we must refer him to your Honour's Agreeable to the [*lacuna*] Paragraph of your Letter ℘ Benjamin, He is dismiss'd the Service, though We must beg leave to mention him to your Honours as a very capable, industrious Man. Consult 9th April.

16. The Supracargoes of the Portfield having Requested what Advices we could give them concerning Borneo, As we have no intercourse with that Port, we could only inform them that by a Letter from Captain Stevens of the Delewar to the late Secretary Mole, his Treatment from the Natives by the incitemt of the Dutch, was such, that we very much doubted of their Success. It was not in Our power to supply them with a Linguist. Consult 7th. May.

SECONDLY OF GOODS FROM EUROPE, OR FROM ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE DISPOSED OF AT ANOTHER.

17. Of the Cargoes of the several Ships Imported here, We are to acquaint You

18. That in Landing the Broad Cloth from the Augusta, we found Ten pieces damaged, which was return'd to and paid for by Captain Parker, and replaced by Us when we forwarded to Bengal the whole Quantity, which was done by different Conveyances that offered. Consult 9th. April.

19. By the Grantham, of her Broad Cloth eighteen pieces were also damaged and paid for by Captain Oliver, He attributed it to the Leakage of his Decks.

20. By the Prince Edward there was an Overplus in the Article of Pump Nails amounting to Pagodas, Seventeen twelve fanams and twenty Cash (17 : 12 : 20) and a deficiency in the small, of Pagodas, Six, thirteen fanams & sixty Cash (6 : 13 : 60) which were Landed at Fort S^{t}. George.

21. A Mast and two Coils of Cordage from the York, and five Shovels by the Prince Edward were made use of by the Commanders of those Ships and accordingly paid for by them.

22. In weighing the Copper and Lead ℘ Prince Edward, there were wanting four plates poizing Six hundred Weight, one Quarter, and two pounds of the former, and one hundred Weight and Eight pounds of the latter, the amount of which was received of Captain Haldane.

23. The Madeira Wine ℘ Norfolk was Surveyed as Usual; We received the whole Quantity, vizt. One hundred and fifty Pipes in good Condition; Captain Hancock and his Officers Landed here Twenty Pipes. Consult 21st Septem^{r}.

24. That design'd Us last year by the Tavistock we received from Bengal by Banetta and Grampus Sloops.

25. On the Resolution of the Swallows not proceeding to Madagascar, the remaining part of her Cargo was received into Our Storehouse, for the amount of which we shall Credit Account Current London.

26. Three Macao Ships having been upon this Coast, no Goods proper for the Market were procurable for your China Ships; should any offer we shall take Care to provide for the Expected Ones.

27. By your Ships bound to Bengal this Year We sent the Gentlemen there	Rup^{s}. 3241965	10	—	&
being Sensible how greatly they were in want of Money, we took the Opportun^{y}. of three Country Ships Sailing thither to send them in equal Proportions	480000	—	—	
In all Arcot	Rupees 3721965	10	—	

Besides these we forwarded on the Kent 30 Chests of Silver and on the Benjamin 36. We should have thought it more for your Advantage to have Coin'd this

also, had we been left at liberty to do so, but Your Honour's Orders were so positive in regard to the Benjamins Stay being but ten days, that we were under a necessity of Complying therewith, and therefore divided the Rupees designd for the Kent between her & that Ship.

Ltres sent No. 80. 28. We shall take Care to supply the Gentlemen in Bengal with what Redwood they may Indent for. We have wrote to them for five thousand Bags of Salt Petre; as We had none in store and Mr. Robins thinks it necessary we should have a large Stock for makeing Powder. Agreeable to your Directions, We have Do. No. 51 indented to the Gentlemen at Bombay for Seven thousand Barrels, as Major Lawrence is of Opinion we ought never to be without such a Supply for the Service of your Settlements on this Coast.

29. Nazar Jing's Army having been in this Province since the latter end of February, for the Payment of which being brought a large Quantity of Rupees, has occasion'd that Specie to be at four hundred & upwards, and consequently Silver at a low price. The Country has been a Scene of War and Plunder, on which Occasions the Natives generally Secreet their Valuables; This has Caused such a Scarcity of Gold that We have been put to great Streights in Negotiating the Mercantile part of your Affairs; nay even in Payment of your Military and Servants. But what with most Concern we must observe to Your Honours, is, that for want of proper Supplies of Madras Pagodas, the Northern Investments have suffered very considerably; No Efforts have been wanting in Us to surmount these Difficulties, a large Importation of Gold occurs to Us as the only Remedy. We therefore request you will please for this purpose to send Us out One hundred thousand pounds in Silver, with leave to send the same to China by your Ships for Gold. This will enable Us largely to Supply those Settlements, and Disappoint the Intrigues of Shroffs, by having the Ballance of Exchange greatly in Our Power.

30. We shall punctually obey your Orders in regard to the Sale of your Goods, and heartily wish it may answer the design'd end, though we must humbly offer to you that we are Apprehensive of Difficulties and Disappointments in the execution of it; should this be the Case we shall act as we judge most for your Advantage.

Consult. 16th. June. 31. In this Ships Packet, we send you the Musters of Gold and Silver on Demanding of Mr. Edwards and Linga Chittee the Reasons for a Debasement in the Rupees, they assure Us they were agreeable to the usual fineness of 4 dwts better than Standard, and will abide by the Musters now Transmitted You.

Thirdly touching Investments.

Consult. 10th. March. 32. The Merchants, being call'd before the Board and pressed to exert themselves in the Investment, they represented the Grievances, the Weavers laboured under from the Encampment of Armies in the Country, who are continually oppressing & plundering wherever they go; it was Agreed to allow them the same Prices as last Year.

Ltres recd No. 78. 33. The Gentlemen at Fort St. George gives Us reason to expect an Encrease in theirs, We have directed that no encouragement be wanting to the Merchants and Inhabitants, which we look upon as the Strongest Foundation for the Success of your Affairs.

34. Notwithstanding the want of Madras Pagodas We have received from Vizagapatam Four hundred & sixty two Bales, and from Ingeram, Three hundred and ninety; and as we have supplied them by the London, and are now sending a further Sum ℔ Phœnix, we are in hopes of a Suitable return in January.

35. We have already acquainted your Honours that upon a reasonable Calculation, we expected to fill up two Ships from Bengal, and dispatch the Swallow to you in January, We cannot close this Head without telling you of the bad Situation of this Province, is such as may defeat the best Endeavours; at the same time assuring You, we shall always look upon this branch of your Affairs, as Our particular Care.

FOURTHLY OF COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

36. Your Honour's were advised by the Elizabeth of the Capital of the Kingdom of Tanjour being Beseiged and drove to great Streights by the French in Conjunction with Mustapha Jing and Chunda Saib, and the little possibility there was if not succour'd by Nazar Jing (who was daily expected) of its being able to hold out much longer; Soon after that Ships dispatch, on the News of his having Entered the Province, and Detach'd part of his Army for the Releif of that Place, they broke up the Siege and return'd in so precipitate a manner that they left the Major part of their Battering Cannon and Mortars behind them, besides the Loss they Sustain'd in the Siege by Sickness &c^{a}. computed to be near Five hundred Europeans. In their Retreat they suffered little, though continually harrass'd by the Morattas detach'd for that purpose by Nazar Jing, and got into Pondicherry about the time he arriv'd at Arcott, Who after some stay there, bent his March to Tervedy twenty five Miles to the Westward of this place; from whence he sent a Vackeel to the late President demanding Assistance of such Force as could be spared to act in Conjunction with him against the Common Enemy, who by this time had again taken the Field and Encamp'd about Twenty Miles to the South West of Pondicherry, and by the Disposition they had made, seem'd Resolved to stand an Engagement; Their number was about One thousand Europeans, Two thousand Seapoys and Coffrees, with a large Train of Artillery; also Fifteen thousand Horse, belonging to Mustapha Jing & Chunda Saib. Accordingly Orders were given to Captain Cope to March from Consu. Trichenopoly with the Detachment under his Command, and Major Lawrence shortly 12th March. join'd the Army with what Troops could be spared from this Garrison; soon after which the whole Army march'd towards the French, who after a days Cannonading Do. at too great a Distance to do any Damage Retreated once more in so precipitate a 19th Mar. manner, as to leave Ten pieces of Cannon and two Cohorns, being the Major part of their Train behind them, the People belonging to which were cut to pieces. The Morattas pursued them as soon as they had notice of their Flight, but with little Do. effect, and they again got safe into Pondicherry. Mustapha Jing, who drew his 31st March. Party from Chunda Saib, and the next Day threw himself at Nazar Jings Feet was immediately Ordered under Confinement, and still remains so. After the Retreat of the French and Chunda Saib, Nazar Jing Encamp'd at a place call'd Waldoor, about seven Miles to the Westward of Pondicherry, but did not chuse to approach nearer, Major Lawrence and M^{r}. Westcott having inform'd him, Our Troops could not act in any shape against the French, where they were Principals, which must be the Case, were they to advance into their Bounds. In this Encampment he Continued a Month when decamping for Arcot, he requested Our Troops might accompany him, but the Gentlemen insisting on having the Grants of the Punoomalee Country given them before they Stirr'd he went away without Vouchsafing them an Answer. On which the Ambassadors, seeing the little dependance there was on him, and the great Expence the Company were at in keeping the Troops in the Field, they were Ordered to return hither, where they arrived the 22^{d}. April.

37. Not long after the return of Our Troops, and Nazar Jings being arrived at Arcot, the French in Conjunction with Chunda Saib March'd out again, Ravageing & Laying Waste the Country, which they put under Contribution wherever they came, and at length arrived at Tervedy, which after some Resistance they took, and from thence Detach'd a Party to Chellembrum, situated about Twenty five Miles to the South West of this Place, where after having Plundered the Suburbs, demanded a large Sum from the Hovildar, not to molest the Pagoda, Which they had almost received, when Mahomud Ally wrote to the late President acquainting him of the above Circumstances and moreover that the French were Entrenching themselves at Trevedy, which Place they were also Fortifying, assuring him of a Saneds being Consult. drawn out for Us for the Poonamalee Country which was Lodged in the hands of a 25th June. Substantial Merchant at Arcot, and to be delivered Us on his Commencing his Nabobship, which would be in September; a Copy whereof he sent for the Governour & Council's Perusal, and at the same time a Bill of Exchange for Twenty thousand Rupees to defray the Expences of Our Troops for two Months in lieu of the Revenues

of Poonemalce for that time; The above Circumstances being duly weigh'd, & the French having declared that they were resolved to make Chunda Saib, Nabob, against all Opposition; which if they had Accomplish'd, must certainly have been of the worst Consequence to your Affairs; it was Determin'd that Our Troops should once more take the Field, and act in Conjunction with Mahomud Ally, who was coming from Arcot with a Body of Horse, and by that means put a Stop to the Rapid Progress of the French and Chunda Saib; who were spreading Destruction wherever they came; Accordingly Captain Cope March'd out with Six Hundred Men and a Field Train the 30th. June, and join'd the Nabob to the Westward of Tervedy, from which Place the French Retreated leaveing a Garrison within, as also from before Chellumbrum, without receiveing the stipulated Sum; Our Troops continued Encamp'd till the middle of August, when finding there was little probability of Coming to Action, the French & Chunda Saib being again come out, and Encamped within a Mile of them to the Northward of Trevedy and considering a State of Inactivity could be of no manner of Advantage to the Nabob's Affairs, and only a heavy Charge to Your Honours, as his People could never be induced to make an Attack, and was out of Our Power to do; and the Officers and Men daily falling Sick, Major Lawrence with the advice of Messrs. Starke and Powney, who were the only Acting Council on the Spot, Recall'd the Troops, who immediately came in. A few Days after the French embraced the Opportunity, fell upon the Nabob's Army, which they dispersed, Burnt his Camp, and He with such part of his Scattered Troops as could be gathered together, retreated to Gingey, whither he was pursued by the French; but not chusing to trust himself in that Fortress, went further Inland, and the French Possess'd themselves of the Strong Holds of Gingey.

Consult. 26th March. 38. The Present designed for Nazar Jing and his Officers, being ready, which with the Sundry Camp Charges amounts to Pagodas 25715. 22. 44. Mr. Westcott set out to join Major Lawrence; for the Particulers of which Embassy We beg leave to refer you to the Account delivered in by the Ambassadors at their return, and shall only observe that after repeated promises that their Affairs should be Settled to their Satisfaction, finding nothing Granted, and that it would be to little purpose to continue any longer at so fruitless an Expence, they returned the 22d. April.

Consult. 26th Febry. 39. Mahomud Ally has been appointed Nabob of Arcot, We have received from him a Grant of the Trevendaparum Country, for the Services rendered him.

40. The Foregoing is a detail of the Transactions with the Country Government to this time. They have again Applied to Us for Our Troops; We have seriously weighed this Affair, The Expences attending these Expeditions are large, The Consequences, fatal to your Trade on this Coast, should the French prove Successfull, urge a necessity for it; But we conclude it reasonable that a Gratification adequate to the Charges we must be at, should be Confirm'd to Us. We have therefore sent Our Vackeel to Nazar Jing with assurances of Our Friendship, and readiness to Contribute to the preserving this Province from the Impending Ruin threatened by Chunda Saib, with whom the French are in Alliance, Upon the Confirmation of the Grants of such Country's as have been promised Us; At the same time to tell him we cannot Embroil Our Affairs by acting against the French as Principals; We think it would be highly Imprudent in an Affair of such Consequence to use any Deceit, or enter into Engagements, we should not be able with Honour to Execute. We shall wait the Success of this Negotiation, before any further Steps are taken; Should Our Requests be Granted, we beg leave to observe, that the Revenues arising from these Places would Enable Us to Support a number of Men necessary for your Garrisons. We are inform'd that Nazar Jing if not Successfull is resolved to give the Province up to be plundered by the Morattas. In this Gloomy, Hazardous, Situation, therefore humbly beg leave to lay before your Honours the Returns of your Garrisons on the Coast, wherein is Included the Bombay Detachment, which must be sent back; a Force much too weak for the present Unsettled Times, hopeing You will please to send us a large Reinforcement; assuring you we shall be Carefull not to Enter into Schemes prejudicial to your Affairs, or put You to any Expence more than necessary.

41. Mr. Andrews Resident of your Factory at Ganjam, has wrote he has again been Plundered by the Moors, We have Ordered Our Vackeel to represent this Affair at Court, & withdraw that Factory; We have directed Mr. Andrews to acquaint Us if not Redress'd are come to a Resolution to with the Sums that have been Extorted from him, and if any part has been Recovered; and after receiveing his Answer shall advise you accordingly.

FIFTHLY OF FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS, REPAIRS AND REVENUES.

42. Since the arrival of Mr. Robins, this branch of your Affairs, has been entirely committed to his Care; no Repairs are made, Buildings crected or purchased, without his Approbation. By the Lapwing went his Plans and Observations on this Place and Fort St. George, Duplicates of which go in the Packet. Ltres recd No. 104.

43. The only Expences in this head are the building a small Room for the Mint Master, and repairing some Gun Carriages, which we esteem'd absolutely necessary in the present precarious Situation. Consult 26th Febry.

44. We cannot help mentioning to your Honours the great Inconveniencies we labour under for want of proper Warehouses, those that we are able to get are so Scattered that it makes the Transaction of Business tedious and expensive, the Sums paid for the hire of such, being very large; but the greatest difficulty we have to struggle with is the Loading and unloading of Vessells, which lay at a great Distance; the Boats few and ill work'd. In the fair Season, Dispatch is very slow and at this time of the year those designed for Bengal often endanger their Passage, and if it should blow hard, which is commonly the Case, all in general run a hazard of being driven on Shore.

45. The 9th. of April Deve Cotah was Farmed to Andeapah and Irshapah Chittee for Six thousand Pagodas ℘ Annum for Five years, and a Cowle has been given to One Cholagga Nynare as Polligar of that District, being a Person greatly Assisting in taking the Place. Consult 9th April. Do. 31st. May.

46. On the Resettling Fort St. George the Customs on Grain were taken of for six Months, and afterwards for a further Six as an Encouragement to a greater Importation, and an Inducement for its former Inhabitants to Resort there; This We are in hopes will have the desired Effect, and we have very particularly Recommended it to the Gentlemen there. When we find that Settlement has tolerably recovered its former Vigour, we shall enquire into the worth of the several Farms, and Let them, that you may not lose so profitable a Branch of your Revenues.

47. The Grants given by Mahomud Ally Cawn the Nabob of Arcot, are,

St. Thome and its Districts

Trevendapuram and Dependancies

The Poonemalee Country promis'd, but the Phirmaund not yet received; none of these confirmed by Nazar Jing.

48. Till the present, the Rents of the St. Thome and Trevendaparum Country have been Collected. After informing Ourselves of their Value we purpose Farming them to Responsible People for a fixed Annual Rent.

SIXTHLY OF FACTORS, WRITERS, MILITARY OFFICERS AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

49. Agreeable to the 20 Paragraph of your Letter ℘ Lynn, the several Appointments you were pleased to make were filled up. Vizt.

Thomas Saunders Esqr.	... ...	President, Cash Keeper & Mint Master.
Messrs. Richard Prince	... ...	Second of Council, Deputy Govern r. of Fort St. George.
Richard Starke	... ...	Third of Council, Accomptant and Export Warehousekeeper.
Joseph Fowke	... ...	Fourth of Council.
Charles Boddam	... ...	Fifth of Council, Paymaster.

Consult: 1st October

Henry Powney	... ...	Sixth of Council, Sea & Land Customer of Cuddalore.
Robert Goodere	... ...	Seventh of Council, Chief of Vizagapatam.
George Pigot ...	... ...	Eighth of Council, Storekeeper.
Foss Westcott	... ...	Ninth of Council, Imp^{t}. Wareh^{o}. K^{r}.
Alexander Wynch	... ...	Tenth of Council, Sea & Land Customer of Tevenepatam, and Rental General & Scavinger.

Mads. Consult 9th July

50. Messrs. Goodwin and Greenhaugh having declined the Service on Account of their ill State of Health, those Vacancies have been Supplied by Messrs. Westcott and Wynch, being the next in Standing according to your Directions.

51. The President & Council tender their gratefull Acknowledgements of the favour you have been pleased to shew them.

52. The Oath of Fidelity has been given to the whole Board, who have wrote to their Friends for the usual Securities which are nominated on Consultation of the 1st. Instant.

L̃re from England, 3^{d} Novr. 1749.

53. By the Portfield you were pleased to Order M^{r}. Joseph Fowke Second of Fort S^{t}. George, but he having declined when you thought fit to Direct that the Madras Servants might be Reinstated, the Gentlemen did not think him Entitled to this Appointment. As we cannot perceive that M^{r}. Fowke lies any ways under your displeasure, we thought it unjust to refuse him his Station on Council according to your appointment ℔ Lynn. M^{r}. Fowke imagined your Intention was that he should Continue Second at Fort S^{t}. George; as We have never had any precedent for this, and you make no mention of it; though in regard to M^{r}. Pigot, who is a Member of this Board, you are pleased to say he may be Stationed at Madras if any particular Service required it. We therefore could not gratify him in this; but in Consideration of the prejudice his Removal here might be to his Consignments, We have indulged him to Continue there till your Pleasure be known.

Consult. 6th May.

Consult. 18th September.

54. M^{r}. Prince having been before appointed as Deputy Governour of Fort S^{t}. George, continues to Act in that Station.

Consult. 1st. October.

55. We have appointed M^{r}. Robert Goodere to the Chiefship of Vizagapatam, the several years he has resided to the Northward giving him a thorough knowledge of the Country; and the Care of Ingeram Factory is at present Committed to M^{r}. John Churchey, who was before Second in Council at Vizagapatam.

56. M^{r}. Robins, with Messrs. Barker, Carrington O'Hara, Morrice, Knapton, and Glass, arrived here on the Grantham, as did M^{r}. Cooper on the Lynn. M^{r}. Carrington is since Dead, and M^{r}. Robins has entertained M^{r}. Preston as another Assistant.

Consult. 19th. Febry.

57. M^{r}. Fairfield is made Sub Accomptant in the room of John William Speck; as this is a Laborious Employ and a Gratuity is allowed for it in your other Settlements, we humbly offer it to your Consideration.

58. M^{r}. Richard Turner, a Writer in your Service died the third of May.

59. The several Military Promotions, are,

Capt Lieut^{t}. James Kilpatrick, to be Captain of a Company.

Ensign John Innis to a Lieutenancy

Ensign John de Marc to a Lieutenancy

M^{r}. John Brohier to a Lieutenancy in the Train

M^{r}. Edward Joseph Cooper to an Ensign

M^{r}. William Harpur to an Ensign

M^{r}. John Harrison to an Ensign

In the Room of

Capt Dugald Mac Donald }
Lieut. Peter Nost of the Train } Deceased.

Lieut. John Turnbull }
Ensign Edward Stubbs } Deceased.
Ensign John Holdman }

Lieut. Francis Cooke }
Ensign Peter Campbell } Resigned.

60. Mr. Phillip Bulkley on his return from Trechenopoly having made the Military Service his Choice, we have continued him therein, and on Lieutenant Cooke's resigning appointed him Assistant at Fort St. George.

61. Monsieur Dumarachais, who you were acquainted by the Royal George was made a Lieutenant of the Train of Artillery on the Recommendation of General Boscawen, As your Orders relating to Foreigners in the Regulations for the Artillery Company gave him no hopes of preferment therein, he desired leave to Resign, which we have granted him, and he purposes leaveing Us shortly for Batavia.

62. Mr. Dawsonne Drake on his arrival from China, being desired to declare his Resolution in regard to the Company's Service, requested to be admitted which was Granted and he was appointed Military Paymaster. Consult. 5th. March

63. Doctor Stephen Lightfoot as we are inform'd Died some time past in Bengal.

64. Mr. Munro is at Fort St. George, and Messrs. Turning & Wilson here.

65. Pursuant to your Directions we have taken off the Pensions from Captain Morgan and Mrs. Graham, and acquainted them that they might go home at your Expence. Captain Morgan in a Letter entered on a Consultation, requested we would represent to you his many years Service, old Age, large Family, and the great ill Conveniencies attending so long and so Cold a Climate. Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Mansell, Relicts of Gentlemen who have been several years in your Service, humbly hope you will please to take their present Destitute Condition into your Consideration. They at present Subsist on the Benevolence of your Servants abroad. Mr. Baker died the 16th. April. Consult. 21st. Septemr.

66. Mr. Croke ranks as Senior Merchant, and receives £ 200 ⅌ Annum, in Lieu of all other Allowances.

67. The Reverend Mr. Robert Palk who has Officiated here as Chaplain, through the necessity of his Affairs was obliged to Embark on the Vigilant for Europe; his behaviour has been to the General Satisfaction of every one, and as he may be desirous of returning, we take the Liberty of mentioning him.

68. Major Stringer Lawrence in a Letter addressed to the Board, requesting to lay down the Service, it was Granted, He takes his Passage on this Ship, as do Mr. Morse, Mr. Floyer Mr. Belsches, Lieutenants Cooke and Campbell, Miss Rous, and two Children. Consult. 1st. October.

69. We are in such great want of Covenanted Servants for Our several Offices at present, as to be obliged to take in black Assistants, therefore Request You will please to send Us some Usefull hands by the next Shipping.

70. We don't find the Spirit of Gameing has lately prevail'd here; your Servants, Civil and Military have been call'd before Us, and acquainted with the thirty second Paragraph of your Letter ⅌ Lynn. We shall signify the same to all Subordinate Factorys, and should any be so hardy as to persist in this Vice, we shall not fail of shewing Our Severest Resentment, by dismissing them your Service.

Seventhly of Accounts.

Consult. 26th. Febry. Do. 5th. March.

71. Sundry Stores amounting to Seven thousand seven hundred and twenty five Pagodas, fourteen fanams, & forty three Cash (7725. 14. 43) and Military Stores to Six thousand & forty six, thirty two fanams and twenty nine Cash (6046. 32. 29) being Expended and worn out at the Seige of Pondicherry were wrote off by Order of Consultation the 26th. February.

Consult. 30th. April.

72. Mr. Edwards has paid One hundred Pagodas in part of his Bond.

Consult. 14th. June.

73. The difference in the Bill of Exchange in favour of Mr. Floyer, has been paid into your Cash.

Consult. 21st. Septemr.

74. We have paid the Captain and Surgeon of the Swallow, Commission and Head Money on two hundred forty five Coffrees, brought from Madagascar, and the Supra Cargo and Surgeon of the Fort St. George on One hundred and fourteen.

Ditto.

75. The Surgeon of the Lapwing has likewise been paid Head Money on six Lascars, return'd to India.

76. By the Elizabeth we drew on you for One hundred Pounds in favour of Mr. William Wood, the amount received of Mr. Croke, but the Money not being paid into Cash, till after the departure of that Ship; it was omitted to be advised of in the General Letter.

77. A mistake in the Elizabeths Invoice of Nine hundred Pagodas (900) under the Head of Romalls Superfine Puliacat is Rectified at the foot of the Duplicate of that Invoice.

Consult. 23d. October.

78. That We might the better Comply with your Orders on this Head, we appointed a Committee of Accounts, whose Report We now transmit you with what Original papers relating to the Squadron we could find; an Account of the Madras Claims, & List of Madras Books; We promise your Honours that your Books Accounts, and every thing relating to your Affairs shall be kept in Regular Order, and the necessary sent you in the same manner as was usual before the Loss of Fort St. George, and a very strict Scrutiny made into all Accounts.

Consult. 8th. October

79. By the Elizabeth you were advised that Mr. Charles Hopkins was Ballancing the Madras Books for 1746, We are sorry to observe that they are not Compleated; upon applying to him for the Reasons, He informs Us several Papers are missing and the Quantity of Silver Sold by the Warehouse Kr. monthly is wanting. After the dispatch of this Ship we shall examine into these Defects, and use Our utmost Endeavours to Compleat them.

Eighthly of the West Coast.

80. By the Brillant Snow and Swallow we have Complied with the Indent received from thence.

81. No Books or Accounts have been transmitted us since the Loss of Fort St. George; We have now Ordered the Deputy Governour and Council to be punctual in forwarding them to Us by the Conveyances that Offer, when we shall appoint a Committee for their Inspection as usual.

Ninthly touching the Charter.

82. By the Elizabeth the necessary was advised You on this Head.

Tenthly of the French and other European Nations in India.

83. The French that they might with more Facility execute their Schemes pretend they act as Principals and on Our Assisting Mahomud Ally the Legal Nabob against Chunda Saib with whom they are in Alliance, have at different times Protested which has introduced a Correspondence which we now transmit, and beg leave to refer you to for what has pass'd on this Occasion; assuring You that we

shall be very Cautions not to Embroil your Affairs by any unwarrantable Step, and at the same time as much as in Us lies endeavour to Frustrate their Schemes; which if Successfull must terminate in the Ruin of your Trade on this Coast.

84. We are inform'd their Factory at Yanam has been erased by the Moors, that, at Metchlipatam was also taken and their Servants made Prisoners; a Reinforcement has been sent there and we hear they have retaken their Factory at Metchlipatam, and excluded both Moors & Dutch from any Trade there.

85. When we reflect on the many affronts received by the Dutch, and more especially this last at Metchiipatam, we cannot but be greatly Surprized at their Inactivity, not finding they have yet shewn the least Resentment.

86. Six Ships have arrived this year at Poudicherry, 'tis Reported they have Landed to the amount of Ten Millions of Livres and some Military; They give out a very large Reinforcement is still expected. Two Ships have been dispatch'd for the Islands with about Two hundred Bales, Redwood, and some Artificers. 'Its said they are to be fill'd up there with Coffee. Notwithstanding so large a Sum has arrived this Year we don't find their Investment is any ways Considerable.

87. In the Month of April we were addressed from Covelon by One Father Angelo De Gertrude, who Stiles himself a Resident there for his Imperial Majesty, acquainting Us that the French had taken Posession of that place by virtue of a Grant from Chunda Saib; wherefore he desired we would use Our Interest with Nazar Jing to procure him his Phirm^d^. for it. As your Affairs at that time at Nazar Jing's Court required Our greatest Attention (and we were apprehensive of having much trouble in Complying with his Request) we therefore excused Ourselves to him on that Account. Consult. 30th. April.

88. The Vice Roy of Goa also wrote to Us on the Subject of the Seizure of Padre Antonio de Purification, and Our Colours being hoisted at S^t^. Thomé, and Protested against Us for so doing; but as M^r^. Boscawen was the Author of that Action, and no Revenues have been Collected by them there for many years, we referred him to Superiour Powers. Ltres recd No. 23. Ltres Sent No. 40.

ELEVENTHLY OF HIS BRITANNICK MAJESTY'S SQUADRON IN INDIA.

89. The Vigilant & Ruby after taking in Provisions and Stores at Fort S^t^. George, arrived at this Place the 13th. what was here belonging to the Squadron was put on board, they sail'd the 14th. at night for Bombay.

90. Commodore Lisle on his departure from Fort S^t^. George, requested that the remainder of the Kings Stores might be received by Our Storekeeper, desiring that such as the Company had not Occasion for might be Sold at Outcry, and Accounted for to the Commissioners of the Navy; They were accordingly received by Our Commissary of Stores, and an Account of them comes herewith.

91. We shall pay due regard to what you are pleased to mention concerning Captures, if any such thing should happen in Future.

92. M^r^. Belsches Surgeon of His Majesty's Hospital, has delivered in his Account and paid the Ballance and Deductions as Ordered, and has signed a Security bond for the Payment of any further Deductions that may be made by the Commissioners of the Sick and Wounded. His Bond and Account Current are now Enclosed.

93. What Original Papers we could find relating to the Squadron, we now send as ℔ List.

SUPPLEMENT.

94. Upon demanding the usual Ten Pounds of each Passenger going home on this Ship, Messrs. Morse and Floyer acquainted the Secretary there was no precedent of any of your Governours abroad paying this Money. M^r^. Belsches acquainted Us Doctor Douglas was excused it, and Major Lawrence and Lieutenants Cooke & Campbell, alledge Officers never paid it. Upon having recourse to Madras Records we find it so, therefore have not Insisted on it; but thought it necessary to acquaint you herewith, and request your positive Order on this head.

95. On this Ship go two Charterparty Passengers by name John Gallaher and Matthew King, having been disabled in your Service.

Consult 24th. October.

96. The usual Survey has been made on board the Fort St. George, and Muster Roll of her Men &ca. comes in this Packet.

97. The Money that has been advanced the Several Commanders of the Fort St. George, on the Terms of her Charterparty, is Pagodas Five thousand five hundred (5500) the first and Second Receipts for which have already been transmitted you.

Consult 12th. Septemr.

98. Captain Burdett requesting of some Dead Weight in Order to Stiffen his Ship, as we could give him no Salt Petre; we have supplied him with Condemn'd Guns as ℔ Invoice Enclosed; two of which we must observe to your Honours are of the number of those received from you this Year.

99. The Gentlemen at Fort St. George not having Transmitted Us their Account of Quick Stock has occasion'd Ours now sent you not to be so perfect as we could wish.

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100. Mr. Starke acquaints Us a Bulse of Diamonds mark'd P No. 1 Value Pagodas 1737, was Shipp'd on the Lapwing by Mr. William Perceval at Madras Consign'd to Richard Wyat and James Whitchurch Esqr. which was omitted to be Registered on that Ship by the Miscarriage of a Letter, and is therefore added to the foot of the Lapwings Duplicate Register in this Packet.

101. Mr. Jones having desired Copies of the several Papers delivered in by Mr. Moses to the Deputy Governour & Co. of Fort St. George, relating to a dispute between them; and not having leisure at ye. time to Comply with his Request, we take the liberty to mention it to your Honours, as he may probably apply to you for them.

102. The weather appearing Dirty, we did not think it prudent to detain this Ship longer than was absolutely necessary, as she had near the number of Bales on board we intended to Load on her. The Invoice of her Cargo amounts to One hundred sixty three thousand seven hundred twenty four Pagodas, twenty five fanams twenty four Cash (163724. 25. 24).

103. The Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones by the Fort St. George amounts to Forty three thousand and ninety five Pagodas, thirty four fanams & Sixty six Cash (43095. 34. 66).

104. Your Honours have remaining here in Cash this day, Thirty three thousand four hundred & sixty Pagodas, eleven fanams & fifty nine Cash (33460. 11. 59), & One hundred twenty nine (129) Madras Pagodas.

We are

Fort St. David
24th. October 1750.

Honourable
Your Faithfull Humble Servants

Thomas Saunders.
Richard Starke.
Henry Powney.
George Pigot.
Foss Westcott.
Alexr. Wynch.

Postscript.

The Bills of Exchange drawn on your Honours by this Ship Fort S^t^. George, are dated the 8th. Instant and payable as follows. Viz^t^.

		£	s.	d.	Pag^s^.	F^s^.	C^a^.
	S.						
	For Company's Servants &c^a^. at 7 : 8						
1	To Thomas Bland or Order value of Jno. Pybus	20	—	—	52	6	20
1	To Ann Reynolds or Order, value of Thos. Langford	20	—	—	52	6	20
	S.						
2	Setts for Servants &c^a^. at 7 : 8 ...	£40	—	—	104	12	40
	S.						
	For Free Merchants &c^a^. at 7 : 4						
1	To Mary Wilson or Order value of Foss Westcott	50	—	—	136	13	7
1	To William Wood or Order value of Henry Powney	80	—	—	218	6	43
2	Setts for Free Merchants &c^a^. S. at 7 : 4.	£130	—	—	354	19	50
2	Setts for Servants &c^a^. at 7 : 8 ...	40	—	—	104	12	40
In all 4	Setts amounting to	£170	—	— or	458	32	10

One hundred Seventy Pounds Sterling for which we have received into your Cash here, Four hundred fifty eight Pagodas, thirty two fanams and Ten Cash.

Fort S^t^. David,
24th. October 1750.

We are
Honourable
Your Faithfull humble Servants
Thos. Saunders.
Richard Starke.
Henry Powney.
George Pigot.
Foss Westcott.
Alex^r^. Wynch.

Letter to S^t^. Helena dated October 24, 1750. [*Public Despatches to England, Vol.* 18, *page* 37].

To the Worsh^l^. Charles Hutchinson Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &c^a^. Council of S^t^. Helena.

Worsh^l^. Sir & Sir's.

Our last to you was by Our Honble Master's Ship Elizabeth under date the 12th February, of which we now enclose Duplicate, and have only to Advise you at present that by this Ship we have Consign'd you Sundrys as ℘ Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed. The remainder of your Indent shall be forwarded by some future Opportunity's.

Fort S^t^. David
24th. October 1750.

We are
Worsh^l^. Sir & Sir's
Your most humble Servants
Thos. Saunders.
Rich^d^. Starke.
Henry Powney.
George Pigot.
Foss Westcott.
Alex^r^. Wynch.

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS AND PRECIOUS STONES LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. DAVID TO BE SHIPP'D ON THE FORT S^r^. GEORGE CAPT. ROBERT BURDETT BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS, IN RETURN FOR CORAL AND OTHER ACCOUNTS VIZ^T^.

		Pagod^s^.	Fa^s^.	C^A^.
	By SALAMON FRANCO, Consign'd to ABRAHAM & Jacob Franco or Order.			
AIF N°. 4.	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... of which	11759	4	20
	Pag^s^. 3773. 19. — is in full returns for a Chest of Coral mk^d^ ◇F N°. 138 imported at Bombay ℘ Stretham 1748.			
	P^s^. 1794. 12. 64 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral mark'd F C N°. 2 Imported at Bombay ℘ Durrington 1748.			
	P^s^. 2300 — — is on Account of a Chest of Coral mark'd FF N°. 5 Imported ℘ Augusta 1749.			
	P^s^. 2485. 7. 40 is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd A+F N°. 7 ℘ Portfield 1750.			
	P^s^. 112. 22. 71 is in full returns for a Chest of Bugles mark'd A+F N°. 2 ℘ Montfort 1749.			
A+F N°.	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... of which	4452	5	6
	P^s^. 2406. 28. 20 is in full returns for a Chest of Coral markd A+F N°. 1 imported at Bombay ℘ Durrington 1749.			
	P^s^. 1158. 21. — is in full returns for a Chest of Silver account Jacob Pereira mk^d^ SF N°. 1 ℘ Benjamin 1750.			
	P^s^. 868. 22. — is in full returns for a Chest of Silver account Phœneas Serra mark'd E +P N°. 2 ℘ Kent 1750.			
	By SALAMON FRANCO Consign'd to JOSEPH & DAVID FRANCO.			
+F D N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... of which	3695	22	76
	P^s^. 1450. 33. — is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd +F D N°. 38 ℘ Portifield 1750.			
	P^s^. 333. 22. — is in half returns for a Chest of Amber Beads mark'd MF C N°. 5 ℘ Lynn 1750.			
	Carried over Pagodas ...	11759	4	20

	Brought over Pagodas ...	11759	4	20
	By SALAMON FRANCO Consign'd to JACOB PEREIRA.			
SF Nº. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... of which Pˢ. 620. 11. 40 is the Ballance of a Chest of Silver mark'd SF Nº. 2 ꝑ Portfield 1750. Pˢ. 2174. 12. 76 is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd SF Nº. 1 ꝑ Portfield 1750. Pˢ. 944 15. 40. is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd SF Nº. 5 ꝑ York 1750. Pˢ. 944. 15. 40 is in full returns for a Chest of Silver mark'd SF Nº. 6 ꝑ Prince Edward 1750. Pˢ. 900. 3 — is in full returns for a Chest of Silver Mark'd SF Nº. 4 ꝑ Grantham 1750.	5583	22	36
	By SALAMON FRANCO Consign'd to ABRAHAM DE FONSECA.			
AF Nº. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... On account of a Box of Jewells mark'd AF Nº. [*lacuna*] ꝑ Pelham 1749.	365	1	62
	By NICHOLAS MORSE ESQᴿ. Consign'd to JACOB SALVADOR or his Assigns.			
M S B Nº. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part returns for a box of Coral beads mark'd S B (M) Nº. 3 ꝑ Estcourt 1747.	1031	18	47
M S E Nº. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part returns for a Box of Coral beads mark'd S E (M) Nº. 3 ꝑ Cæsar 1747.	569	11	37
M F A Nº. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In part returns for a Box of Coral beads mark'd F A (M) Nº. 4 ꝑ Houghton 1746.	775	19	54
	By NICHOLAS MORSE ESQᴿ. & JOSEPH FOWKE Consign'd to MATTHEWS BEACHCROFT or his Assigns.			
GR Nº. 69	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In full returns for a Chest of Rough Coral mark'd GR Nº. 69 ꝑ Houghton 1746.	592	21	58
GE Nº. 70	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... In full returns for a Chest of Rough Coral mark'd GR Nº. 70 ꝑ Houghton 1746.	548	19	59
	Carried over Pagodas ...	25490	18	58

Mark	Particulars	Pagodas		
	Brought over Pagodas ...	25490	18	58
GR No. 71	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... In full returns for a Chest of Rough Coral mark'd GR No. 71 ꝑ Houghton 1746.	583	5	70
	By WILLIAM SMYTH KING & LEVY MOSES Consign'd to Messrs. LEVY & REUBEN SALAMONS or Order.			
LRS No. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds value ... ... In further part returns for 10 Chests of Silver Do. mark No 1 a 10 ꝑ Ships Dragon, Sandwich, Montfort & Severn 1749.	3000	—	—
E MBH No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... Account the Estate of Mr. Moses Berend Heyman Decd.	2500	—	—
	By WILLIAM SMYTH KING & LEVY MOSES Consignd. to GEORGE ARNOLD & JOSEPH SALOMONS or Order.			
CAS No. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In further part returns for Six Chests of Silver Do. mark ꝑ Ships Montfort and Sandwich 1749.	2000	—	—
	By WILLIAM SMYTH KING & LEVY MOSES, Consign'd to JOHN SARJENT or Order.			
4SC No. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In further part returns for 4 Chests of Silver Do. mark No. 1 a 4 ꝑ Griffin, Sandwich, Montfort & Augusta 1749.	1900	—	—
	By WILLIAM SMYTH KING & LEVY MOSES Consign'd to Messrs. HENRY MUILMAN & JOSEPH SALOMONS or Order.			
M ✡ S No. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In further part return for Five Chests of Silver Do. mark No. 1 a 5 ꝑ Ship Dragon 1749.	1965	23	50
	By WILLIAM PERCEVAL Consign'd to RICHARD WYAT & JAMES WHITCHURCH or Order.			
W W No. 2 P	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	886	9	—
	By CHARLES FLOYER Esqr. & Mr. WILLIAM PERCEVAL Consign'd to MATTHEWS BEACHCROFT or Order.			
GR No. 74 } VN No. 13 }	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... In full returns for a Chest of Rough Coral mark'd GR No. 74 imported ꝑ Ship Sandwich Anno 1749, and in part returns for a Chest of Coral beads mark'd VN No. 13 ꝑ Augusta 1749.	887	28	51
	PAGODAS ...	43095	34	66

FORT ST. DAVID 24TH OCTOBER 1750.

CHAS. BOURCHIER
Secty.

List of the Honble Company's Revenues at Fort S^t. David, as they have produced from 1st. May 1749 to 30th. April 1750.

				Annual Rent. Pagodas	Fa^s.	Ca
FIXED REVENUES.						
Beetle & Tobacco Farm.						
The Cowle Granted to Irshapah Chitty & Persham Chitty for five Years, commencing 30th. November 1746, ending 30th. Novem^r. 1751 at 4 Quarterly Payments				1500	—	—
Bounds Rent.						
The Cowle Granted to Sadashavarow for Five years commencing 1st. July 1748, ending 1st. July 1753 at 4 Quarterly Payments				4000	—	—
Weighing & Measuring Duty.						
The Cowle Granted to Cootah for five years, commencing 1st. Novr. 1746 ending 1st. Novem^r. 1751 at 4 Quarterly Payments				200	—	—
Pagodas ...				5700	—	—
Variable Revenues.						
Sea Customs of Cuddalore from 1st. May 1749 to 30th. April 1750	15652	4	54			
Land Customs of D°. D°. D°. ...	3701	14	40			
Sea & Land Customs of Tevenepatam D°. D°. ...	1373	5	4			
Mint Customs D°. D°. ...	8201	12	27			
Quit Rent the amount of the Assessments ending 30th. April 1749	910	35	—			
				29838	35	45
Pagodas ...				35538	35	45
Collected Revenues.						
Trevendaparum.						
This Revenue is Collected by the Hovildar of that Country, and has produc'd since the Grant thereof the 27th. Febry last to this day				831	—	—
Deve Cotah						
This Revenue produced for the Crop on the Lands at the time it was taken				4000	—	—

It is now Farm'd Out at the yearly Rent of Pag^s. 6000 — — to Andeapah & Irshapah Chitty, commencing the 1st. June last.

Fort S^r. David 24th. October 1750.

Chas. Bourchier
Sec^ty

LIST OF BOOKS IN THE FORT S^T^. DAVID PACKET TO ENGLAND
℔ SHIP FORT S^T^. GEORGE.

N°. 1 Diaries & Consultations	...	1750	From 12th. Febry 1749/50. To 24th. October 1750.
2 Ditto	...	1749	From 2^d^. Novem^r^. To 31st. Decem^r^. 1749.
3 Letters Received ...	...	1750	From 12th. Febry 1749/50. To 24th. October 1750.
4 Ditto	...	1749	From 2^d^. Novem^r^. To 31 Decem^r^. 1749.
5 Letters sent	...	1750	From 12 Febry 1749/50. To 24 October 1750.
6 Ditto	...	1749	From 2^d^. Novem^r^. To 31 Decem^r^. 1749.
N°. 7. Cash Account	...	1750	From 1st. Febry 1749/50. To 24 October 1750.
8. Ditto	...	1749	From 1st. Novem^r^ To 31 Decem^r^. 1749
9. Ship Book	...	1750	From 12 Febry 1749/50. To 24 October 1750.
10. Cowles & Commissions	...	1750	From 12 Febry 1749/50. To 24 October 1750.
11. French Correspondence.		1750	From 28th. Febry 1749/50. To 31 August 1750.
12. Country Letters Sent & Received.		1750	From 1 Janry 1749/50. To 13 Septem 1750.
13. Paymasters Accounts Current.		1750	From 1 Janry 1749/50. To 30th. Septem^r^. 1750.
14. Mint Accounts Current.		1750	From 1st. Janry 1749/50. To 30 Septem^r^. 1750.
15. Cuddalore Customers Accounts Current.		1750	From 1 Janry 1749/50. To 30 Septem^r^. 1750.
16. Tevenepatam Customers Acco^ts^. Current.		1750	From 1st. Janry 1749.50. To 30 Septem^r^. 1750.
17. Storekeeper's Receipts, Issues & Remains.		1750	From 1st. May To 30th. Septem 1750
18. Milit^y^. Storek^r^. D^o^. D^o^. D^o^.		1750	From 1st. May To 30th. Septem^r^. 1750
19. Duplic. Journal / Ledger X X	...	...	From 1st. May 1748. To 30th. April 1749.

20. Ambassador's Proceedings.

21. Account of Naval Stores received from His Majesty's Squadron at Fort S^t^. George.

22. Diary of the Swallow's Madagascar Voyage for purchasing Slaves.

23. Ship Swallow's Cost of Slaves at Madagascar.

24. Copy of a Petition from M^r^. George Jones to the President & Council of Fort S^t^. David, with several Protests against, and Accounts with M^r^. Levy Moses; and M^r^. Moses's Answer thereto and Remarks thereon.

25. Duplicate Copy of a Letter from M^r^. George Jones to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort S^t^. George concerning his Accounts; with M^r^. Moses's Letter in answer thereto, and his Remarks on M^r^. Jones's Accounts.

FORT S^T^. DAVID 24th. OCTOBER 1750.

CHA^s^. BOURCHIER

Sec^y^.

List of Papers in the Fort S^{r}. David Packet to England ꝑ Fort S^{r}. George.

N°. 1. General Letter ꝑ Fort S^{t}. George dated 24th. October 1750.
2. Duplicate General Letter ꝑ Lapwing dated 26th. Septem^{r}. 1750.
3. Duplicate General Letter ꝑ Elizabeth dated 12th. Febry 1749.50.
4. Duplicate Seperate Genl. Ltre ꝑ Elizabeth dated 12th. Febry 1749.50.
5. Invoice of the Fort S^{t}. George's Cargo amounting to Pag^{s}. 163724. 25. 24.
6. Duplicate Invoice of the Elizabeth's Cargo amounting to Pag^{s}. 159015. 28. 76.
7. Invoice of Military Stores Laden on board the Fort S^{t}. George.
8. First Bill of Lading for the Fort S^{t}. Geoge's Cargo.
9. First Bill of Lading for Military Stores on the Fort S^{t}. George.
10. Second Bill of Lading for the Elizabeth's Cargo.
11. Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones Licenced ꝑ Fort S^{t}. George.
12. Duplicate Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones Licenced ꝑ Lapwing.
13. Duplicate Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones Licenced ꝑ Elizabeth.
14. Calculate of the Fort S^{t}. George's Tonnage.
15. List of Packing Stuff on 1780 Bales ꝑ Fort S^{t}. George.
16. Muster Roll of the Fort S^{t}. George's Crew.
17. Copy of the Fort S^{t}. George's Dispatch.
18. Indent for Medecines &c^{a}. for 1752.
19. Duplicate Indent for Medecines &c^{a}. for 1751.
20. Indent for the Assay Office.
21. Duplicate Indent for the Assay Office.
22. Indent for Military Stores for 1752.
23. Duplicate Indent for Woolen Goods &c^{a}. for the Imp^{t}. Warehouse for 1751.
24. Duplicate Indent of Stores for Sale & Use for 1751.
25. Duplicate Account Sale of Lead.
26. Manifest of Presents Licenced ꝑ Fort S^{t}. George.
27. Account of Quick Stock.
28. List of Revenues from 1st. May 1749 to 30th. April 1750.
29. List of Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Choromandel.
30. List of Inhabitants at Fort S^{t}. David.
31. List of Persons who have Died under the Care of the Surgeons, with their Distempers from Janry to 23^{d}. October 1750.
32. Register of Births, Christnings, Marriages, & Burials to the 24th. October 1750.
33. Duplicate List of Debts Outstanding in the General Books X X ending April 1749.
34. Duplicate Abstract of the Sea Customs of Cuddalore for 1749 Compared with 1748.
35. Duplicate Abstract of the Land Customs of Cuddalore for 1749 Compared with 1748.
36. Duplicate Abstract of the Tevenepatam Customs for 1749 Compar'd with 1748.
37. Duplicate Abstract of the Mint Customs for 1749 Compared with 1748.
38. Duplicate Abstract of Allowances to the Company's Servants both Civil & Military.
39. Capt. Edward Wills's Second Receipt for Rup^{s}. 1114. 2. 6 paid him for Sundry Warlike Stores.
40. Capt Edward Wills's Second Receipt for Pag^{s}. 1250, advanc'd him on Account of Ship Elizabeth.

41. Capt John Bell and Mr. John Cleugh, their first receipt Pags. 612. 18. being the Gratuity allowed them for purchasing Slaves.

42. Surgeon of the Swallow's first Receipt for Head Money on 245 Coffrees.

43. Surgeon of the Fort St. George's first Receipt for Head Money on 115 Coffrees.

44. Surgeon of the Lapwing's first Receipt for Head Money on Six Lascars.

45. Second Protest of Marut Mercar's Bill of Exchange on Michael Gregory's refusing to accept it, And first on his refusing Payment.

46. An Attested Copy of Rodolph De Gingin and Andrew Munro's Affidavit relating to Mr. Barnewall.

47. Second Attested Copies of two Notes Sign'd by Mr. Barnewall for Quartering the French Officers at Madras.

48. Duplicate of Tellisingah Chitty & Condapah Chitty's Letter to the Hon. Court of Directors.

49. Export Warehouse Keepers Account Remains to the 30th. Septr. 1750.

50. Import Warehouse Keepers Account Remains to the 30th. Septr. 1750.

51. The Purser of the Lapwing's Second Receipt for her Packet.

52. The Purser of the Elizabeth's Second Receipt for her Packets.

53. Copy of an Invoice of Goods Shipp'd on board the Prince William by the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam amounting to Pagodas 15625. 20. 40, with the 2d. Bill of Lading.

54. Mr. William Belsches's Obligation to be accountable for future Deductions.

55. Return of the Garrison's of Fort St. David, Fort St. George, Deve Cotah & Vizagapatam.

56. Return of the Seapoy's at Fort St. David.

57. Mr. William Belsches's Account Current.

58. List of Books at Madras.

59. List of Books in the Packet ℘ Fort St. George.

APART.

60. The Honble Company's Merchants, Accounts Current Vizt.

No. 1. Tremungalum Comrapah & Linga Chitty.
2. Nellatomby Chitty & Sadashavareddee.
3. Govindah Chitty & Tonneveroy Pillah.
4. Irshapah Chitty &ca. Merchants.
5. Andeapah Moodelaires &ca. Merchants.

} Duplicates of their Accounts Current for the Year 1749.

6. Suncha Vencata Ramah & Umbaltaddy Chitty, and Tellisingah Chitty, & Moota Comrapah; Duplicate Copy's of their Accots. with the Honble Company at Fort St. George, with Remks thereon by the Accomptant.
7. Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah & Nella Chitty, Duplicate Copy of their Account with the Honble Compy at Fort St. George from Janry to Septem 1746.

61. Report of the Committee of Accounts with the several Papers referr'd to therein.

62. Musters of Gold & Silver, Containing.

Madras Pagodas	9
Current Do.	9
Arcot Rupees	97

63. Duplicate Letter and Plans from Benjamin Robins Esqr.

FORT ST. DAVID 24TH. OCTOBER 1750.

CHAS. BOURCHIER,
Secty.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN ROBERT BURDETT, DATED OCTOBER 24,1750. [*Public Despatches to England*, *Vol. 18*, *page 47*].

TO CAPT. ROBERT BURDETT,
COMMANDER OF SHIP
FORT S^T. GEORGE.

SIR

You are hereby Ordered to repair on Board your Ship, and make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain. The first Place you arrive at in England you are to send your Purser Overland with the Packet herewith delivered you, Directed, To THE HONBLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES, At their House in Leaden Hall Street LONDON takeing Care to write to them yourself, and to give them an Account of anything Remarkable you may meet with in your Voyage.

If you touch at the Cape, it will be acceptable to the Governour and Council of S^t. Helena that you Carry them a Supply of Garden Seeds Plants &c^a.

We wish you a good Voyage and date this in Fort S^t. David the 24th. day of October 1750.

THOM^S. SAUNDERS.
RICHARD STARKE.
HENRY POWNEY.
GEORGE PIGOT.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
ALEX^R. WYNCH.

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY DATED NOVEMBER 3, 1750. [*Public Despatches to England*, *Vol. 18*, *pages 48-49*].

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY
OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

Beleiveing it will be acceptable to you to hear of the arrival of your Ships in India, we send this to Bombay to be forwarded Overland, and have the Satisfaction to acqu^t. you, that except the Duke of Cumberland, all those design'd for the Coast, have arrived here. Such as were destined for China proceeded in good time on their Voyage thither, as did those for the Bay with all the Rupees we could possibly Spare.

The Lynn was unfortunately Lost in going up Bengal River, But her Treasure and most of the Broad Cloth was Saved, though we hear great part of this last was Damaged.

Commodore Lisle acquaints Us he met with Your Honour's Ship the True Briton in the Streights of Banca the 18th. August.

The Lapwing was Loaded in Bengal, but being directed to call here, we wrote your Honour's a short Letter by her to advise you the needfull, and to accompany some Plans from M^r. Robins. She sail'd hence the 28th. September.

The Fort S^t. George was late in her arrival from Madagascar, which together with the great Inconvenience we Labour under in Loading Ships from hence, made it the 24th. Ultimo, before we could give Captain Burdett his dispatches; but the Weather has since been very moderate, and the Wind hanging to the Westward for some Days after her departure, we don't doubt but she soon got a fine Offing, and by this time is well out of the Bay. She is fully Laden, and we flatter Ourselves we shall be able to fill up two Ships in January, besides giving the Swallow a Loading of Fine Goods, if she returns in time from Marlborough, whither we dispatch'd her the 17th. October, with One hundred & sixty Slaves.

Messrs. Morse, Floyer and Major Lawrence went Home on the Fort S^t^. George.

The Situation of Affairs in regard to the French and Country Government, is the same as when we address'd you ℘ Fort S^t^. George; Our Vackeel has obtain'd an Audience of Nazar Jing and give Us hopes that his Negotiation will be attended with Success. We are

Honourable

Your Faithfull humble Servants

Fort S^T^. David

3RD. Novem 1750.

Thomas Saunders.
Richard Starke.
Henry Powney.
George Pigot.
Foss Westcott.
Alex^R^. Wynch.

General letter to the Company dated February 7, 1751. [*Public Despaches to England*, *Vol. 18 pages* 49 *to* 69].

To the Honourable the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company
of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies.

Honourable

1. The Fort S^t^. George Sail'd from hence the 25th. with Our Advices of the 24th. October, since which We have Address'd your Honours under the 3^d^. November and 24th. Ultimo by way of Persia, Duplicates of which and Triplicate of that ℘ Lapwing come herewith.

2. The Severn Imported here the 21st. having touch'd at Madras for the Bales; by her We shall under the usual Heads acquaint You with what has Occurred in regard to your Affairs since Our last Dispatch.

First, Concerning Shipping.

3. It will be needless to Repeat under this Head the Disposition of your several Ships in India, which is fully Related in Our Letter of the 24th. Ultimo, to the Duplicate of which We beg leave to Refer You. We have only to add,

4. That as the Norfolk is not yet in Sight, We are apprehensive she will be late.

Ltres Received N°. 16. — 5. In a Letter from Bombay the 13th. December which we received the 25th. Ultimo, The Gentlemen advise Us of their hopes of a large Investment at Tellicherry, and desire that in Case the Warren should have Lost her Passage and be on the Coast that we would Dispatch her to Tellicherry. The Britannia now lying in Madras Road, and being too late to arrive at the Bay in time to be dispatch'd Home, or to proceed to the Malabar Coast from an Assurance that it will be highly acceptable to your Honour's to have as many Ships return'd Home as possible, We have Directed the Gentlemen at Madras if it can be done in Time that she be unloaded and sent to Tellicherry.

Consult. 25th. Jan^ry^.

Ltres sent No. 57.

Secondly Concerning Goods from Europe or from One part of India to be disposed of at another.

Consult. 29th. October. — 6. Agreeable to what we wrote you by the Fort S^t^. George, we were proposing to put up your Broad Cloth at Publick Outcry, when we received a Petition from Linga Chittee requesting it might be delivered to him pleading his Faithfull Services, particularly that he had taken it for some Years at a Time when Refused by others, and no one Cared to Venture on it. That M^r^. Floyer had promised it to him, and should it be bought in small Parcells at the Price Limited, from which

Nine Ꝑ Cent being Deducted for prompt Payment, the purchaser would be able greatly to Under sell him, by which means he should be a very Considerable Sufferer, as he had a large Quantity on hand of last Years. Upon taking into Consideration his Petition, we could not but allow it to be just, and as We Concluded Your Honours were not acquainted with these Circumstances, We were induced to beleive it is not your design or desire we should Act with Injustice, But rather that Encouragement should be given to People that are Servicable to you, We therefore came to a Resolution that the Broad Cloth should be deliver'd to Linga Chitee, but that he should not have any pretensions to it in future; Your Honours will be more fully acquainted with Our Proceedings in this Affair in Our Consultations of the 25th. October, and 5th. November, to which we beg leave to Referr You.

Consult 5th. November.

7. The Copper has been put up at Outcry at Fort St. George and Sold on a Avarage at Pagodas Seventy nine, Seven fanams, and thirty four Cash Ꝑ Candy.

Ltres Reced No. 11.

8. We have been very unfortunate with Our Coffrees, on their first Arrival they Died daily, and with all Our Care were not able to prevent the Loss of Eighty Six, the Remaining are now well. The Men are Train'd to Arms, The Women will be sent to the West Coast by the first Opportunity.

9. The Lisle and Success, by whom we sent Forty Chests of Rupees to the Bay lost their Passage and fell in with Vizagapatam, But we are in hopes the Treasure will arrive in Time to be Servicable to the Investment.

Ltres Reced No. 150 & 158.

10. Several Deficiency's have of late arose on Goods and Treasure sent to the Bay, which we are very much at a Loss to Account for, but to Remedy this in future We shall insist upon the Captain or Purser seeing such Goods weigh'd off, and then expect he pay for such Deficiency as may happen.

Ltres Reced No. 154.

11. The Gentlemen at Bombay advising Us they had Six Hundred Barrells of Gun Powder ready, and could furnish Us with nine hundred Yearly, We Embraced the offer as it is much Superiour to what made on this Coast.

Ltres Reced No. 140.

12. Rupees are Still at so low a price as Three Hundred Eighty two, and Silver in Proportion, We have not been backward in Endeavouring to Reduce them to a more equal Exchange, by Ordering all Receipts and Payments to be in Pagodas, this indeed has furnish'd Us with Sufficient for defraying Our Garrison Expences, and has been of some Service, as well as Satisfied Our Military, who were Continually Murmurring on this Occasion; But we are still in want of Pagodas for Our Investment, and must repeat Our Request made You on this Subject by the Fort St. George.

Consult 3d. Decemr.

Ltres to Engld. 24 October 1750.

13. As by the large Sums Remitted to Bengal We have not Sufficient Remaining to Answer the Demands of Our Merchants, We have taken Twenty Chests Out of the Britannia, which we shall Replace as soon as Our Cash will allow of it.

Consult. 21st. Decemr.

14. In the Packet come Our several Indents for Wares and Stores, which we Request your Compliance with.

Thirdly, Touching Investments.

15. We shall be able to fullfill what we promised on this Head; The Severn, Norfolk, and Swallow will have their full Tonnage, though we have met with unexpected Impediments.

16. The number of Bales from Madras is far less than the Gentlemen there gave Us Room to hope for; The Reasons they assign for it are the Unsettled State of the Country and the late Revolution; whereby Property is Rendered so precarious, that the Merchants cannot with the least Prudence make any Advances.

Ltres Reced No 1.

17. The London missing Vizagapatam was the Occasion of the Supply sent by her arriveing very late though the Gentlemen at the Bay forwarded it from thence by the Hawke Sloop. The Phœnix also lost her Passage, and did not reach that Port till the begining of last Month. These disappointments greatly affectd. the Northern Investments, and occasion'd their falling short of what was Usual.

Consult. 22d. Janry.

18. We are sorry we are under a necessity of sending you so much brown Cloth, The Violent Rains that have lasted from the begining of October, to the middle of Decemr. is the Reason of it. We beg leave to assure you nothing but an Absolute necessity will ever be the Occasion of it; And as the Dispatch of the Ships, a matter of much more Consequence depended on it, it was unavoidable. In Our Directions to the several Subordinates, We shall always Recommend to get as much of their Cloth Cured as possible, and shall Exert Ourselves in what lies under Our own Management.

Consult. 24th. Decemr.

19. We have not lately made any advances to the Merchants, the very low Price of Rupees rendering it Imprudent, by which the Ballances will be lessen'd Considerably by the Time we shall make Our new Contracts; when we shall Strictly insist upon their keeping up to the Sortments, which of late they have greatly Deviated from.

20. The uncertainty of Affairs at present render it impossible for Us to promise anything Concerning Our Investment this Year, more than that no pains shall be wanting on Our part to promote it.

Fourthly of the Trade of India in General, And therein any Transactions with the Country Government.

21. We have wrote Your Honour's very fully in Regard to the Affairs of the Government in Our Letter of the 24th. Ultimo, that we have very little to add.

Ltres Reced No. 152.

22. The Fort of Punoomallee which is not Included in Our Phirmaund, was delivered to Us by the Killedar, but is not your Property; Mr. Prince &ca. Council have thought it necessary to send a Detachment there under the Command of Lieutenant Campbell, and make some Small Repairs, which was a Prudent Step. We must observe to your Honours that the Districts of Punoomallee reach Twenty Miles from Madras, As do part of those of Trevendaparum, near that Distance from St. David.

23. The Expences attending Our Several Detachments have been but small, We have got Twenty five thousand (25000) Rupees of the King of Tanjour since October, and Sixteen thousand (16000) Rupees of Mahomud Ally, which he was Indebted on Accot. of a former Expedition. The greatest Frugality and Caution shall be observed in all Our Transactions with the Government.

24. We must humbly beg leave to Repeat that greatly Essential part of Our Letter of the 24th. Ultimo. That it is Our Opinion, the Success of your Affairs on this Coast depends entirely on a Force to Curb the French. We must acknowledge that had not Europeans interfered in these Affairs, but left them to Decide their own Quarrells, it might have been better for Trade, But as the French struck at the Ruin of your Settlemts. possess'd themselves of Several large Districts, planted their Colours on the very Edge of your Bounds and were endeavouring to Surround your Settlements in such a manner as to prevent either Provisions or Merchandize being brought Us; It was judged necessary to Endeavour to Frustrate their Designs, Should they Succeed, Our Situation would be very Indifferent in peaceable Times, and much worse should there be a Warr.

25. The Troubles in the Province with the Death of Nazar Jing, will be Represented in Different Lights at Court according to the Different Interests that prevail, We shall therefore to prevent any Consequences that might happen from a Misrepresentation of Our Conduct dispatch Letters with an Impartial Account of what has happen'd since the coming of Mustapha Jung & Chunda Saib.

Fifthly of Fortifications, Buildings, Repairs and Revenues.

26. Mr. Robins your Engineer writes you a particular Account of the several Repairs and Additions, He has thought necessary to the Fortifications. The excessive Rains have Occasion'd the Works to go on very slowly, they chiefly are Erecting Pallisadoes on the Covered Way. Compleating the Glacis, & digging a dry Ditch to the Southward of the Fort.

27. Not being Room in the Fort for Quartering the Officers, who are now Scattered about at the several Out Guards, it was Agreed to build Lodgings for them, which according to M^{r}. Robins Estimate will amount to One thousand Nine hundred & Eighty one (1981) Pagodas. Consult. 25th. Janry.

28. Our Sick have Suffered inconceivable hardships from the want of proper Accommodations, having at present no better than an old Ruinous Building at Cuddalore, where they have been exposed to the Severity of the Season, their Recovery by this means Rendered very Tedious, & possibly many may have Lost their Lives, an Affair of such Consequence we thought deserved Our serious Consideration, and were Unanimously of Opinion that it was of the utmost Importance that the Sick should be taken Care of. The Estimate of the Cost of an Hospital Capable of receiveing Two hundred Men amounts to Pagodas, Eight thousand, four hundred & ninety two (8492) which when put in Competition with so Usefull a Building we think a very necessary Expence and have Ordered it to be set about as soon as the Season permits. Consult. 25th. Janry.

29. The Fort of Deve Cotah has suffered greatly by the Rains, we shall Direct it to be Surveyed and the necessary Repairs made

30. The Warehouse Keeper has Represented to the Board the great Expence in the Single Article of Godown Rent for Rice, with the Damage and Extraordinary Cooley amounting to Pagodas Three thousand five hundred (3500) ₽ Annum; To which adding that for the Rest of your Wares & Stores, it would go a great way in Erecting proper Buildings for that Use, and though we are quite Convinced of the necessity of it, yet as we impatiently wait your Honours Determination whether this Place or Madras be the Head Settlement, We for the present decline it. Consult. 19th. Novem^{r}.

31. We beg leave to assure you that in all your Repairs and Buildings, Care shall be taken that the Materials are good, and the Money fairly laid out.

32. In our Letter of the 24th. Ultimo, your Hon^{rs}. were acquainted with Our having Received the Phirmaunds for Deve Cotah and Punoomalee. Upon observing the Collecting the Rents of Trevendaparum was attended with great Inconveniencies, and that only Pagodas Eight hundred & thirty One had been received since the Month of March, it was thought much better to Farm it; Sambasheva Reddee &c^{ts}. Renters offering Eight thousand Pagodas ₽ Annum, which being Esteemed very Advantageous, it was accordingly let to them. Consult. 5th. Novem^{r}.

33. The Gentlemen at Madras Advising Us that the produce of S^{t}. Thomé &c^{a}. Villages, amounted to no more than Pagodas Two thousand One hundred and Six, twenty two Fanams, and fifty three Cash: (2106. 22. 53) the last year which upon Enquiry being far less than could have been expected, it was Agreed it would be more Advantageous to let this also, Subramony Moodelee and Linga Chittee offering to Farm it at four thousand Pagodas ₽ Annum exclusive of Sea and Land Customs, which would make it very near Double, Their offer was accepted as a very good one, and We are of Opinion that waveing the large Difference between the Sums Collected for these two Districts, and what they now Let for, but Considering them as when Farm'd by the Moors; Our Agreement will be found greatly for Our Interest. Consult. 17th. Decem^{r}.

34. We have not yet been able to get an Exact Account of the number of Villages in the Punoomalee District, and their Annual Revenue but shall inform Ourselves as soon as possible, and as we are Convinced that in Collecting the Money must go through so many hands and be liable to so much Rougery that probably we should not get One half of the Value. We shall when we are well acquainted with its produce Lett this also.

35. The Consignees of Coral representing to Us that by the Troubles in the Country, best part of their Goods are on hand, and Requesting a further time for the payment of the Customs, which being really true, we have shewed them this Mark of your Indulgence. Ltres Reced No. 2. Consult 7th. Janry.

36. Your Honours will please to observe a Decrease in Our Land Customs of Pagodas Seven hundred fifty four, nine fanams, & Sixty two Cash (754. 9. 62) and that the Sea Customs this Year are less than the former Pagodas Five thousand three hundred Eighty nine, twenty six fanams, & Seventy two Cash (5389. 26. 72). The reasons for which Occurr immediately. The great hardship the Merchant suffers in tedious Dispatches, which often occasion Loss of Passages (Instance) the Lisle and Success to the Bay, the Excessive Charge in Cooley hire, the want of proper Warehouses from whence Great Embezzlements, are severe Discouragements to Trade, and not here to be Remedied. Madras is Re-settled, where Convenient Warehouses, Quick Dispatch, and Easy Charges are so many Invitations to the Merchant. Though Rice is here at Eighty five Pagodas ℘ Garce, and at Madras Sixty five, yet from the Advantage of being Dispatchd in Time to save the March Passage, there are now Fifty Vessells in that Road, and not five in this, which we humbly offer as a Strong Circumstance of Fort S^{t}. David, not being Calculated for a General Trade.

37. That no part of yor. Revenues might be Lost We have wrote the Gentlemen at Madras to Let the Farms for one year only, We did not think it for your Interest to grant them for five as was the Custom formerly, because should it be your pleasure to make that your Head Settlement, all Branches of your Revenues there will be greatly Enhanced, and Consequently as it is now a Subordinate, no One will give near their Value for them at present; They have wrote Us that no offers have been (Ltres Reced N°. 156.) made, But we can with Confidence assure you that they will be very soon Farmed, and don't in the least doubt that when it is the Presidency they will produce to y^{e}. full as much as before. The Indulgence in favour of the Merchant and Inhabitant upon the Re-establishment is the Reason that the Sea, and Land Customs did not amount this year to so much as formerly.

Sixthly of Factors, Writers, Military Officers and their Accounts.

(Consult. 29th. October.) 38. On M^{r}. Starke's appointment here M^{r}. Thos. Cooke was Ordered Second in Council at Fort S^{t}. George.

(Consult 29th October.) 39. The Reverend M^{r}. Palk having been obliged to Embark on the Vigilant, Messrs. Charles Bourchier and Hugh Norris were directed to Read Divine Service with the Usual Salary.

40. The Reverend M^{r}. Swynfen died at Madras the 17th. November, and M^{r}. James Wilson for the present Officiates there with the Allowance as is Customary at Subordinate Settlements.

41. M^{r}. Charles Hopkins on Account of his ill State of Health having been obliged to decline your Service, as he has now Recovered, humbly Requested he might execute the Covenants you were pleased to send Out. Being greatly in want (Consult. 31st Decem^{r}.) of Assistants, especially in the Accompt^{ts}. Office, We granted his Request.

42. M^{r}. John Palmer having for some Y^{rs}. wrote in your Secretarys and Accomptants Offices, and behaved himself well, We take the Liberty to Recommend him to your Honours favour to be Employed as a Writer in your Service on this Establishment.

(Consult. 19th Novem^{r}.) 43. M^{r}. William Perceval in a Letter to the Board Requested to be taken into Council at Fort S^{t}. George, but as there was no Vacancy it could not be Granted, In Consequence of which we received a Second Letter, setting forth his Desire to lay down the Service, which was Complied with. We beg leave to (Ltres Reced N°. 147 Consult 3^{d} Decem^{r}.) observe to Your Honours M^{r}. Perceval's Station was at S^{t}. David, but in regard to the Advantages of Trade he was Indulged in Staying at Madras, and took Care of the Sea and Land Customs. The appointment of Council there was long before M^{r}. Perceval came from Bengal, and after his arrival from January to this Time, he never once before made Application for it, nor could he be taken into Council without turning out M^{r}. John Walsh, which would have been an Act of Injustice, as We by having Recourse to Records, don't find, though many Servants at Madras were often Superiour to some of the Council at S^{t}. David, a Single Instance of any One's being Removed on their Accounts. And we cannot help taking notice the

very Reasons Mr. Perceval makes use of "Nor can I for many Reasons remove to Fort St. David" will make him Decline the Service should this be the Subordinate, and he be Ordered here. In short such are the Conveniencies and Advantages at Fort St. George that if private Interest took place, We should have very few here to transact your Affairs.

44. Mr. Charles Boddam arrived here the 17th. Ultimo, on his Coming to the Board, he took the Usual Oath of Fidelity, and named for his Security's Abraham Hume, & Charles Boddam Esqr.

Consult. 17th. Janry.

45. Mr. John Andrews your Resident at Ganjam having Represented to Us the Oppressions he has suffered from the Government, who have Extorted from him upwards of Sixteen thousand Rupees, The Miserable State the Country is in, and the little probability of its being better, as it is Evident that Settlement has not Answered the End proposed but been a Continual Expence with very Trifling Investmts. and as by the Death of Nazar Jing we quite despair of getting any Redress for Injuries already Suffered or Protection against Insult that probably may be offered, We are come to a Resolution to withdraw that Factory for the present, and have Ordered him to Collect in the Ballances and proceed with the Effects to Vizagapatam. In the Packet comes an Account of the Sums Extorted from Mr. Andrews which we must do him the Justice to say are not in the least owing to any Mismanagement in him.

Ltres Reced. No. 7 & 14.

Consult. 25th. Janry.

46. The Bombay Detachment being detained so long from home Contrary to the Agreement made with them, were Discontented and Continually Murmurring. As they are a Considerable Expence to Us, we have return'd the better part of them with their Officer Captain Thomas Andrews who has behaved himself very well.

Consult. 25th. Janry.

47. On the Apprehensions that upon the late Revolution we might meet with some trouble, your Servants Voluntarily lent their Horses, which we formed into a small Troop.

Consult 17th. Decemr.

48. The Military Preferments since Our last, are—

Serjeant Trussler a well behaved & Gallant Man to an Ensign's Commission.

Consult. 21st. Decemr.

Lieutenant James Hocket of the Train of Artillery to a Capt. Lieutenancy, on the Recommendation of Mr. Robins and being Eldest Lieutenant.

and

Lieutenant John Hood to a Captain Lieutenancy at Fort Marlbro, in Order to put your Military there on the same Footing as they are here agreeable to your Regulations. He will proceed by the first Conveyance.

Consult 28th. Decemr.

49. We have not Men to Form a Company of Artillery at Fort St. George which is judged absolutely necessary, nor any for Vizagapatam, We Request you will please to send Us a hundred able Men for that purpose.

50. Messrs. Fowke and Greenhaugh Church Wardens of the Parish of St. Mary's Stepney have Requested we would Represent to your Honours that Mr. Samuel Harrison formerly in your Service is Indebted to the Church Stock Principal and Interest due the 30th. September 1750 Pagodas Two thousand three hundred and Twenty four, twenty Six fanams and thirty nine Cash (2324. 26. 39) which they humbly beg your Honours will please to Demand for them.

Ltres Reced. No. 148.

Seventhly, Accounts.

51. We have received into your Cash Pagodas Five hundred and fifty, thirty Fanams, and twenty one Cash (550. 30. 21) Account the Estate of Mr. William Petch dseceased.

Consult. 29th. October.

52. The Reverend Mr. George Swynfen dying Intestate, his Effects were disposed of at Publick Outcry, and the Ballance of his Estate Pagodas four hundred & thirty One Eighteen fanams, and Twenty Eight Cash (431. 18. 28) paid into Cash.

Ltrs to Engld. [2.] 4th October 1750.
Consult. 27th. Novemr.

53. We promised your Honours to Transmit you the Madras Books for 1746 Closed, but when We came to make the proper Adjustments, could not find any Books of the Subordinate Factories for five Years past, which Rendered it impracticable. We have Directed them to be sent Us with the Greatest Expedition, when they shall be Completed. At present we can only send them open, and hope you will not think this owing to any Remissness in Us.

54. The Vizagapatam and Ingeram Books did not arrive here till the 29th December, the Ganjam the 24th. and the Fort St. George the 20th. Ultimo; all too late to be inserted in Ours, and this is generally the Case. After the Dispatch of the Ships we shall Order the Accomptant to make the proper Adjustments with all the Settlements, and will upon no Account, admit of any excuse.

55. Agreeable to what wrote you by the Fort St. George, We appointed Messrs. Starke, Boddom, Powney, Westcott and Wynch as a Committee for Inspecting Accounts and should have been glad to have transmitted you their Report by this Ship; But in a Letter to the Board as Entered after Consultation of the 4th. Instant, they Represent to Us the necessity of a much longer time as the Accounts are Various and of some years standing. When finish'd we shall have due Regard to what your Honours wrote Us on this Subject.

Consult 30th. Janry.

56. By Our Accomptants Annual Report, it appears the Expences are very Considerably Less than they were before. In the Month of November we turn'd Out Two hundred and fifty Peons, and One hundred and twenty Lascar[s] and were Resolved upon a General Reduction, when the sad Accident of the Death of Nazar Jing gave a quite different turn to Affairs, and has probably Involv'd the Province in lasting troubles. At such a Time the greatest Circumspection for the Security of your Effects is Required; and what at a proper Season might be call'd Frugality, would now certainly be Term'd, Imprudence. It is some pleasure to Us, and We hope will be Satisfactory to your Honours that we have not at this Juncture put you to any Additional Expence.

Eighthly, Concerning the West Coast.

Ltres Recd No. 144.

57. The Last Letter we received from thence was dated the 19th. June. The Country was then in Peace, and a Prospect of a fine Investment, But the Suffolk not being arriv'd their Cash was so low as to oblige them to Reduce their Military to half Pay. These Difficulties we hope are long since Removed.

Consult. 28th. Decemr.

58. The Military there not being Establish'd according to the Regulations you were pleased to send Us, and we imagine but Indifferently Disciplin'd, We have appointed Lieutenant Hood who has acted here as Adjutant and is Reckon'd a good Officer to proceed there by the first Opportunity to Rank as Captain Lieutenant and Adjutant.

59. Having Directed the Swallow to be Returnd immediately, We are in hourly Expectation of Advices from thence.

Ninthly, Respecting the Charter.

60. Nothing Occurs to advise You of under this Head.

Tenthly of the French and other European Nations trading in India.

Consult. 17th. Janry.
Fr. Corresp. No. 1 & 3.

61. We were in hopes not to have troubled You with any more French Correspondence, but a few days past Monsieur Dupliex &ca. Council, Address'd Us enclosing Copys of two Letters, the one said to be wrote by Mr. Goodere than Resident at Ingeram, the other by Mr. Dalton a Captain in your Service here. As to the purport of the former it had been Replied to many Months past. We don't find Mr. Goodere has Interfered in regard to them and beleive the Letter very wrongly Translated. That of Captain Dalton was to One Kane a Deserter from hence, who had the assurance to request he would Use his Interest to get his Discharge. It is not of Consequence enough to dwell on, and could not have been taken notice of, but by such who were Determined to Wrangle.

62. Our Letter of the 24th. Ultimo will inform your Honours of the General Occurrences in Regard to them. They are Endeavouring to Establish themselves in the most Convenient Places on the Coast and laying a Foundation for a very advantageous Trade without the least Regard to their Neighbours. As far as may Concern or prejudice your Interest we shall Use Our utmost Endeavours to Obstruct.

63. A Ship is expected from Mahie with three hundred Europeans, and they give out two Thousand more will Embarque on their Expected Shipping.

64. The 30th. Ultimo a Ship Sail'd with a Cargo for Mocha to be Return'd to Pondicherry with Coffee.

65. One is now under Dispatch, and its said three others will Sail for France this Season, their Cargoes Chiefly Bengal Goods.

66. A Brigantine with some Officers, Men and Warlike Stores is Sail'd, and two others designd for Metchlipatam, which its said they are going to Fortfie.

67. The Dutch Remain in the same Inactivity as when we last wrote to you, the Danes have had no Ship from England this Year.

Eleventhly of His Britannick Majesty's Squadron in India.

68. In the Packet are several Original Receipts for Arrack Supplied the Squadron with, which are come to Our Hands since Our Last. Consult. 30th. Janry.

69. We have advised of the Vigilant, Ruby and Syren's being at Bombay, which is the whole that offers at present. Ltre to Engld. 24th. Janry. 1750/1.

Supplement.

70. Under the Head of Shipping We mention'd to have Directed the Gentlemen at Fort St. George to dispatch the Britannia for Tellicherry, before Our Letter reach'd them she was Sail'd for Bengal. We have advised the Gentlemen there of what wrote Us from Bombay. Ltres Reced. No. 19.

71. The 1st. Instant the swallow Imported here from Fort Marlbro. Having already put a large Quantity of Brown Cloth on board the Severn, and under a necessity of Loading a further Quantity on the Norfolk, the Remainder also being Brown We have determind that she proceed to Bengal and Return here with a Cargo of Rice to be dispatchd home in May, by which Time we shall have Sufficient Cured. She is Ordered to Land Mr. Charles Hopkins at Metchlipatam. Consult. 4th. Febry.

72. Mr. Robins purposes Embarking on her for Bengal to Return here in March.

73. By the Letter from the West Coast we are glad to observe the Suffolk was arrived, and that your Honours Affairs there, were in a flourishing Condition, they advise that the Suffolk would be Dispatch'd with her full Tonnage without going to Manna. The Success Galley designing for that port in a few days, we shall by her Comply with the Indent sent Us, and Direct that they advise Us of what Surplus Tonnage they may at any Time have, as it may greatly Contribute to the Lessening the number of your Ships on Demorrage. Ltres. Received No. 20.

74. They have Requested a Reinforcement of Military upon a Supposition Mr. Boscawen left us a Sufficient number, but as that was not the Case, we are not able to send them any.

75. We have discharged the several Certificates sent Us amounting to Dollars, Ten Thousand four hundred and fifty One, two Sucas and forty one Cash (10451 2–41).

76 Captain Dorrill requested Salt Petre at half Freight, which as your Orders were to send no more home than usual, we did not Comply with. Consult. 25th. Janry.

77. In a Letter to the Board of the 29th. Ultimo He informed Us his Demorrage ceased the 31st. In Reply to which we in your Honours name made Ourselves Responsible to the Owners for what further Demorrage might be due for the few Days he might continue in India. Consult. 30th. Janry.

Consult. 4th. Febry.

78. He acquaints Us that Six Bales of Baftaes designed for this Place were sent on board with those intended for Europe and that he cannot get at them but by taking out great part of his Cargo which must detain the Ship a Considerable time, we therefore have Included the same in Our Invoice to You.

79. In the Packet is a Section Entitled Extraordinary Occurrences, which Containing some particular Matters We thought it proper to Seperate from Our Publick Proceedings that it might not be exposed as it must necessarily have been to the View of many People in Transcribing in the Office. Particularly as several of them are under no Covenants to your Honours, and We therefore hope it will meet with your approval.

80. Captain Dorrill's Manifest of his Homeward bound Adventure from this Place amounts to Pagodas, Seven hundred & thirty (730). What he Carries home from Bengal as he Swore to it, before the President and Council of Fort William we presume your Honours will receive it in their Packet.

81. The Usual Survey has been made of this Ship and Enclosed are, Muster Roll of her Men, and List of Ammunition and Warlike Stores.

82. The Norfolk is Coming into the Road.

83. The amount of the Severn's Cargo from hence, is Pagodas, Eighty nine Thousand eight hundred & ninety Six, twenty seven fanams, and Sixty One Cash (89896–27–61) and what put aboard her at Bengal as ℘ Abstract of the Invoice enclosed to Current Rupees Three hundred & seventy one thousand, two hundred (371200). The amount of the Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones Licenced by her is Pagodas One hundred and twelve thousand five hundred sixty six Eleven fanams and Fourteen Cash (112566–11–14).

84. Your Honours have remaining in Cash here this Day, Pagodas Twenty two thousand, nine hundred and Eighty nine four fanams and Sixty one Cash (22989–4–61) and Madras Pagodas One hundred and thirty Six (136).

We are very Respectfully

Honourable

Your Faithfull humble Servants

Fort St. David

7th. February 1750/1.

Thos. Saunders.
Richd. Starke.
Charles Boddam.
Henry Powney.
George Pigot.
Foss Westcott.
Alexr. Wynch.

POSTSCRIPT

The Bills of Exchange We have drawn on Your Honours, and the Certificates We have Granted by this Ship SEVERN are dated the 4th. Instant and are as follow

BILLS OF EXCHANGE.

FOR COMPANY'S SERVANTS &ca. at 7s 8d ℔ Pagoda.

	£	s.	d.	Pags.	Fa.	Ca.
1 To William Wood and Charles Lucas or Order value of Henry Powney ...	40	—	—	104	12	41
1 To Thomas and Nicholas Crispe or Order Value of Alexander Wynch on Account of John Andrews	100	—	—	260	31	24
1 To Mary Wilson or Order Value of Foss Westcott	100	—	—	260	31	24
1 To John Starke Esqr. or Order, Value of Richard Starke	23	1	—	60	4	40
1 To Charles and Hugh Pigot or Order Value of George Pigot	50	—	—	130	15	52
1 To Captain John Hallett or Order, Value of Thos. Saunders Esqr.	400	—	—	1043	17	17
6 Setts for Servants &ca. at 7s : 8d	£713	1	—	1860	4	38
IN RETURN FOR CORAL &ca. at 7s : 8d ℔ Pagoda.						
1 To Benjamin Alvaringa & Company or Order Value of Alexander Wynch on Account of Joseph Fowke	148	13	4	387	29	59
7 Setts in all amounting to	£861	14	4 or	2247	34	17

Eight Hundred Sixty one Pounds fourteen Shillings and four pence Sterling for which we have received into your Cash here, Two thousand two hundred forty seven Pagodas thirty four fanams and Seventeen Cash.

CERTIFICATES

1 For Two hundred thirty Six Pagodas twenty Seven fanams and Fifty nine Cash received here of Mr. Westcott on Account of the Estate of Captain John Petre late Commander of the Sandwich ... ... PAGs.	236	27	59

We are

HONOURABLE

Your Faithfull humble Servants

FORT ST. DAVID

7th. FEBRUARY 1750/1.

THOMAS SAUNDERS.
RICHD. STARKE.
CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
GEORGE PIGOT.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
ALEXR. WYNCH.

REGISTER OF DIAMONDS AND PRECIOUS STONES LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S[T]. DAVID TO BE SHIPP'D ON THE SEVERN CAPTAIN RICHARD DORRILL BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN RETURN FOR CORAL, & ON OTHER ACCOUNTS VIZ[T].

		BY JOSEPH FOWKE Consign'd to JACOB SALVADOR or his ASSIGNS			
NE		One Bulse of Diamonds in full of the Remains of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd D°. ℘ Cæsar 1747 ...	541	26	50
ND		One Bulse of Diamonds in full of the Remains of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd D°. ℘ Eastcourt 1747 ...	180	31	74
S F B	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Montfort 1749	850	12	65
F S B	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Montfort 1749 ...	1931	14	74
S F B	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Montfort 1749	869	2	58
I S N	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Sandwich 1749	493	12	53
✡	N°. 3	One Bulse of diamonds in full of a Chest of Amber Beads mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Cæsar 1747	366	31	74
[mark]	N°. 5	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Coral Beads, mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Sandwich 1749 ...	760	16	26
S S B F	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Coral Beads, mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Wager 1748	689	30	8
S F B	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part returns of a Chest of Coral Beads, mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Griffiin 1749.	3203	5	6
M S E	N°. 5	One Bulse of Diamonds in full remains of a Chest of Coral Beads, mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Wager 1748 ...	559	5	25
S S B F	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Remains of a Chest of Coral Beads, mk̃d & numb[d]. D°. ℘ Somersett 1748	1065	20	—
		BY JOSEPH FOWKE Consign'd to MATTHEWS BEACHCROFT or his ASSIGNS.			
GR	N°. 72	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Rough Coral mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Houghton 1746	607	19	71
GR	N°. 73	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Rough Coral mark'd & numbered D°. ℘ Cæsar 1747	573	25	79
		Carried over Pagodas ...	12693	2	23

		Brought over Pagodas ...	12693	2	23
VN	N°. T	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Coral Beads markd & numbered D°. ꝑ Marlborough 1746	1664	5	50
		By Ditto Consign'd to Judah Supino or Assigns.			
	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd & numbered D°. ꝑ Severn 1749	1155	22	75
		By Ditto Consign'd to Jacob Dias or Assigns.			
	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd & numbered D°. ꝑ Walpole 1749	1582	33	65
		By Ditto Consign'd to Natal Levi Sonsino or Assigns.			
L S	N°. 18	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd & numbered D°. ꝑ Cæsar 1747	1071	9	11
		By Ditto Consign'd to John Daniel Dreyer or Assigns.			
	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of the Remains of a Chest of Silver mark'd & numbered D°. qt^{s}. 3735 Ozs. ꝑ Severn 1749	1535	23	16
		By Ditto Consign'd to Joachim Moses or Assigns.			
4 F	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of the Remains of a Chest of Silver mark'd & numbered D°. q^{ts}. 4000 Ozs ꝑ Sandwich 1749	1715	20	62
		By Ditto Consign'd to Thomas Waters or Assigns.			
T W	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full of a Chest of Silver mark'd & numbered D°. qt^{s}. 3700 Ozs. ꝑ Sandwich 1749	2511	31	67
		By Ditto Consign'd to Thomas Waters & John Tucker or Assigns.			
W T	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	5356	4	55
		By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Joseph Salvador or Assigns.			
S F	N°. 1 a 4	Four Chests of Garnetts Value	1244	30	38
		By William Smyth King and Levy Moses Consign'd to Messrs. Levy & Reuben Salomons or Order.			
F MBH	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for a Chest of Silver mark'd MBH N°. 7 ꝑ Lapwing 1750	2500	—	—
LRS	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for Ten Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 a 10 ꝑ Dragon, Sandwich & Montfort 1749.	7098	11	25
		Carried over Pagodas ...	40129	18	7

		Brought over Pagodas ...	40129	18	7
		By William Smyth King and Levy Moses Consign'd to Aron & Solomon Norden Junr. or Order.			
ASN	N°. 7	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for three Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 7 a 9 ℔ Portfield 1750	2500	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to George Arnold & Joseph Salomons or Order.			
CAS	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return for six Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 a 6 ℔ Sandwich & Montfort 1749 ...	2730	16	4
		By Ditto Consign'd to Henry Muilman & M^r^. Joseph Salomons or Order.			
M ✡ S	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return for 5 Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 a 5 ℔ Dragon 1749	2791	33	19
		By Ditto Consign'd to John Sarjent or Order.			
ISC	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full for four Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 a 4 ℔ Griffin, Sandwich, Montfort & Augusta 1749	1165	30	68
SCL	N°. 6	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for 2 Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 6 a 7 ℔ Prince Edward 1750	2000	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to Joseph Salomons or Order.			
4 S	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for One Chest of Silver D°. mark N°. 2 ℔ Lapwing 1750	1000	—	—
		By William Smyth King & Levy Moses Consign'd to Phillip Salomons or Order.			
P MS	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for a Chest of Silver D°. Mark N°. 1 ℔ Portfield 1750	1000	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to Michael Salomons or Order.			
M S	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for a Chest of Silver D°. mark N°. 2 ℔ Portfield 1750	1000	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to Henry Isaac or Order.			
H I	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for three Chests of Silver N°. 4, 5, 6 ℔ Portfield 1750	2500	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd Samuel Hartog Levy or Order.			
H	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for 2 Chests of Silver D°. mark & number ℔ Portfield & York 1750	1500	—	—
		Carried over Pagodas ...	58317	26	18

		Brought over Pagodas ...	58317	26	18
		By Ditto Consign'd to Mess[rs]. Michael Salomons Stead & Son or Order.			
S M W	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ℘ Lapwing 1750	1000	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to David Levy or Order.			
D L	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for 5 Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 @ 5 ℘ Lapwing, Portfield and Prince Edward	2500	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to Aaron Goldsmid or Order.			
A G	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for a Chest of Silver mark'd MBH N°. 3 ℘ Lapwing 1750	1000	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to Lucas Steinman or Order.			
L S	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for three Chests of Silver ℘ Portfield, London, and Kent mk̃d MBH N°. 1, 2, 3.	1500	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to M[r]. Judith Levy Executrix of M[r]. Elias Levy Deceased.			
M E L	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for a Chest of Silver mark'd D°. N°. 4 ℘ Prince Edward 1750	1000	—	—
		By Levy Moses Consign'd to Lewis Mendes or Order.			
L M	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ℘ Portfield 1750.	1000	—	—
		By Ditto Consignd to Benjamin Mendes da Costa.			
M B	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return for a Chest of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ℘ Cæsar 1748	1510	10	29
M B	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ℘ Eastcourt 1748	1674	6	8
		By Ditto Consign'd to Levy & Reuben Salomons & Henry Moses.			
H LRS M	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for three Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1, 2, 3, ℘ Portfield	2005	19	10
		By Ditto Consign'd to Francis Cruze & Henry Moses.			
H F C M	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Silver D°. mark N°. 2 ℘ Grantham	1010	28	10
		Carried over Pagodas ...	72518	17	75

		Brought over Pagodas ...	72518	17	25
		By Ditto Consignd to Nathan Salomons.			
NS	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for 2 Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 2 ꝑ Lapwing	2075	34	70
		By Ditto Consign'd to David Levy.			
D L	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Silver D . mark & number ꝑ Portfield	1013	27	—
		By Ditto Consignd to Assur Isaac Levy.			
MP	N°. 5	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Lapwing	1454	29	20
		By William Perceval & Levy Moses Consign'd to Nathan Salomons.			
N S N°. 3		One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for 2 Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 6 & 7 ꝑ Grantham	2055	9	—
		By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Consign'd to Philip Salomons or Order.			
M^{P}S N°. 1		One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for a Chest of Silver D°. mark N°. 2 ꝑ London 1750	1001	—	—
		By Thomas Saunders Esqr. Consign'd to John Sarjent or Order.			
SCL N°. 1 & 2		Two Bulses of Diamonds in part returns for three Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 @ 3 ꝑ Grantham 1750	3814	4	40
		By Ditto Consign'd to Nathan Salomons or Order.			
NS N°. 1 & 2		Two Bulses of Diamonds in part return for two Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 3 & 4 ꝑ Norfolk 1750	2422	24	60
		By Ditto Consign'd to Joseph Salomons and Thomas Cooke or Order.			
SC N°. 1		One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ London 1750	1361	9	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to George Arnold and Joseph Salomons or Order.			
AS N°. 1		One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for four Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 @ 4 ꝑ Kent and London 1750	6309	24	60
		By Ditto Consign'd to Messrs: Hurman and Godfrey Zurhost or Order.			
HGH N°. 1		One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Kent 1750	1058	18	—
		Carried over Pagodas ...	95085	19	5

	Brought over Pagodas ...	95085	19	5
	By Solomon & Moses Salomons Consign'd to Henry & Peter Muilman & Joseph Salomons.			
S HPM N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return of three Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 @ 3 ꝑ Severn 1749	3738	3	2
S H M N°. 1 & 2	Two Bulses of Diamonds in full return of three Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 @ 3 ꝑ Lapwing 1750	7450	17	6
	By Ditto Consign'd to Peter Muilman.			
P M N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Severn 1749	2329	19	18
	By Solomon & Moses Salomons Consign'd to Isaac Siprut De Gabay.			
ISDG N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return of a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Severn 1749	2019	8	61
	By Ditto Consignd to Isaac Delmonte.			
ID N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return of a Cht. of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Cæsar 1748	684	8	—
	By Thomas Saunders Esqr. & Mr. Robert Sloper Consign'd to John Turner.			
IT	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver markd CF N°. 1 ꝑ London, Anno 1750	1259	8	2
	Pagodas ...	112566	11	14

Fort St. David 7th. Febry 1750/1

Chas. Bourchier
Secry.

Manifest of Private Trade Laden by me on board the Severn as part of my Adventure Homeward bound.

Camphire 60 Tubs value about Pagodas ...	730	—	—

Fort Sr. David 5th. Febry 1750/1
Richard Dorrill.

Letter to Captain R. Dorrill, dated February 7, 1751.
[*Public Despatches to England*, *Vol. 18*, *page* 77.]

To Capt Richard Dorrill
Commander of Ship Severn.

Sir,

You are hereby Ordered to Repair on board your Ship, and make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain. Herewith are delivered you two Packets mark'd A & B Directed To the Honourable the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honourable the United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies, at their House in Leadenhall Street, London. The first Port you arrive at in England you are to send your Purser overland with that mark'd A which he is to deliver as Directed taking Care to write to them yourself, and to give them an Account of any thing Remarkable that you may meet with in your Voyage. The other Packet mark'd B you are to keep till further Orders from them.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour & Council of St. Helena, that you Carry them a Supply of Garden Seeds Plants &ca.

We wish you a Good Voyage, and Date this in Fort St. David this 7th. day of February 1750/1.

Thos. Saunders.
Richd. Starke.
Chas. Boddam.
Henry Powney.
George Pigot.
Foss Westcott.
Alexr. Wynch.

List of Books in the Fort St. David Packet ℔ Severn Mark'd B.

Fort St. David.

No. 1.	Diaries & Consultations ...	1750	From 1st. Janry 1749-50 To 31 December 1750.
2.	Ditto	1751	From 1 Janry To 7 February 1750/1.
3.	Letters Received	1750	From 1 Janry 1749-50 To 31 Decemr. 1750.
4.	Ditto	1751	From 1 January To 7 February 1750/1.
5.	Letters Sent	1750	From 1 January 1749-50 To 31 December 1750.
6.	Ditto	1751	From 1 January To 7 February 1750/1.
7.	Country Letters Recd & Sent.	1750	From 1 January 1749-50 To 31 December 1750.
8.	Ditto	1751	From 1 January To 7 February 1750/1.
9.	Cash Accounts...	1750	From 1 January 1749-50 To 31 December 1750.
10.	Ditto	1751	From 1 January To 7 February 1750/1.
11.	Cowles & Commissions ...	1750	From 1 January 1749-50 To 31 December 1750.

12. Ship Book	1750	From 1 January 1749–50 To 31 December 1750.
13. Ditto	1751	From 1 January To 7 February } 1750/1.
14. French Correspondence ...	1750	From 28 Febry 1749–50 To 31 December 1750.
15. Ditto	1751	From 1 January To 7 February } 1750/1.
16. Journal / Ledger } YY		From 1 May 1749 To 30 April 1750.
17. Journal Parcells ZZ		From 1 May To 31 December } 1750
18. Export Warehouse { Journl. & Ledger } ...		From 1 May 1749 To 30 April 1750.
19. Import Warehouse { Journal & Ledger. } ...		From 1 May 1749 To 30 April 1750.
20. Import Warehᵒ. Journal Parcells ...		From 1 May To 31 December } 1750.
21. Storehouse { Journl. & Ledger }		From 1 May 1749 To 30 April 1750.
22. Storehouse Receipts, Issues & Remains		From 1 January 1749–50. To 31 December 1750.
23. Mily. Storekeepers { Journl. & Ledger } ...		From 1 May 1749 To 30 April 1750.
24. Mily. Storeks. Receipts, Issues & Remains		From Janry 1749–50 To 31 December 1750.
25. Mint Accounts		From 1 Janry 1749–50 To 31 December 1750.
26. Cuddalore Sea Customers Accounts ...		From 1 Janry 1709–50 To 31 December 1750.
27. Cuddalore Land Customers Accounts.		From 1 January 1749–50 To 31 December 1750.
28. Tevenepatam, Customer's Accounts ...		From 1 Janry 1749–50 To 11 December 1750.
29. Paymasters Accounts		From 1 Janry 1749–50 To 31 December 1750.
30. Mily Paymasters Accounts		From 1 Janry 1749–50 To 31 December 1750.

31. Duplicate Diary of the Swallow's Madagascar Voyage for purchasing Slaves.

32. Duplicate Ship Swallow's Cost of Slaves at Madagascar.

33. Duplicate Copy of a Petition from Mr. George Jones to the President & Council with several Protests against and Accounts with Mr. Levy Moses and Mr. Moses's Answer thereto.

Fort St. George.

34. Diaries & Consultations	From 1 Janry 1749.50 To 31 Decemr. 1750.
35. Paymasters Accounts	From 1 Janry 1749.50 To 31 December 1750.
36. Storehouse { Journal & Ledger }	From 1 Septemr. 1749 To 30 April 1750.

37. MIL^{Y}. STOREKEEPERS {Journ^{l}. & Ledger}	...	{From 21 August 1749 / To 30 April 1750.
38. SEA CUSTOMERS ACCOUNT	... ...	{From 1 March 1749.50 / To 31 December 1750.
39. LAND CUSTOMERS ACCOUNT	... ...	{From 1 May 1749.50 / To 31 December 1750.
40. S^{T}. MARY'S CHURCH {Journ^{l}. & Ledger}	...	{From 3 Janr̃y 1749.50 / To 30 Septem^{r}. 1750.
41. REGISTER OF WARLIKE STORES.		
42. {JOURNAL LEDGER} VV	... ...	{From 1 May 1745 / To 30 April 1746.
43. {JOURNAL LEDGER} A	... ...	{From 21 August 1749 / To 30 April 1750.

Vizagapatam.

44. {JOURNAL LEDGER} Y	... ...	{From 1 May 1749. / To 30 April 1750.

Ingeram.

45. {JOURNAL LEDGER} Z	... ...	{From 1 May 1749. / To 30 April 1750.

Ganjam.

46. {JOURNAL LEDGER} E	... ...	{From 1 May 1749. / To 30 April 1750.

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CH^{s}. BOURCHIER
Sec^{ty}.

47. EXTRAORDINARY OCCURRENCES.

LIST OF PAPERS IN THE FORT S^{T}. DAVID PACKET BY THE SEVERN MARK'D A.

N°. 1. General Letter ℘ Severn dated 7th. February 1750/1.
2. Duplicate General Letter via Bussorah dated 24th. Janr̃y 1750/1.
3. Duplicate General Letter via Bussorah dated 3^{d}. Novem^{r}. 1750.
4. Duplicate General Letter ℘ Fort S^{t}. George dated 24th. October 1750.
5. Triplicate General Letter ℘ Lapwing dated 26th. Septem^{r}. 1750.
6. Invoice of the Severn's Cargo amounting to Pag^{s}. 89896. 27. 61.
7. Duplicate Invoice of the Fort S^{t}. George's Cargo amounting to Pagodas 163724. 25. 24.
8. Duplicate Invoice of Military Stores on the Fort S^{t}. George and 2^{d}. Bill of Lading.
9. First Bill of Lading for the Severn's Cargo.
10. Second Bill of Lading for the Fort S^{t}. George's Cargo.
11. Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones Licenced ℘ Severn.
12. Duplicate Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones Licenced ℘ Fort S^{t}. George.
13. Manifest of Presents ℘ Severn.
14. Calculate of the Severn's Tonnage.
15. List of Packing Stuff on 972 Bales ℘ Severn.
16. Muster Roll of the Severn's Crew.

17. List of the Severn's Ordnance & Warlike Stores.
18. Abstract of the Severn's Bengal Invoice.
19. Account of Tonnage Laden on the Severn from Bengal.
20. Capt Dorrill's Manifest of Private Trade.
21. Copy of the Severn's Dispatch.
22. Duplicate Copy of the Letter to St. Helena ℘ Fort St. George.
23. Duplicate Copy of the Fort St. George's St. Helena Invoice.
24. List of Revenues from 1st. Janry 1749-50 to 31 December 1750.
25. Calculate of Quick Stock.
26. Export Warehouse Account Remains 6th. Febry 1750/1.
27. Import Warehouse Account Remains the 31st. December 1750.
28. Import Warehouse Indent for Woolen Goods for 1752.
29. Import Warehouse Indent of Goods for Use & Sale for 1752.
30. Indent of Stores for Sale and Use for the Year 1752.
31. Duplicate Indent for Medecines.
32. Duplicate Indent for Military Stores for the Year 1752.
33. Returns of the Garrisons on the Coast.
34. Muster Roll of Peons in Fort St. David.
35. List of Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Choromandell.
36. List of Inhabitants at Fort St. David.
37. List of Persons who have Died under the Care of the Surgeons wth. their Distempers, to the 25th. of Janry 1750/1.
38. Register of Births, Christnings, Marriages & Burials.
39. List of Allowances to the Compys Servants both Civil & Military.
40. Covenants Executed by Mr. Charles Hopkins.
41. Certificate relating to Mr. Andrews at Ganjam.
42. Receipts for Arrack issued to His Majesty's Troops at Pondichy.
43. Capt John Bell & Mr. Cleugh's Second Receipt for the Gratuity allow'd them for purchasing Slaves.
44. Surgeon of the Swallow's 2d. Receipt for Head Money on 245 Coffrees.
45. Surgeon of the Fort St. Georges 2d. Receipt for Head Money on 115 Coffrees.
46. Surgeon of the Lapwings 2d. Receipt for Head Money on 6 Lascars.
47. An Attested Copy of Mr. Belsches's Obligation to be accountable for future Deductions.
48. Duplicate List of Books at Madras.
49. The Captain of the Fort St. Georges 2d. Receipt for her Packet.
50. Capt Derrill's Receipt for the Model of a Gun.
51. List of Books in the Packet ℘ Severn marked B.

APART.

52. Fort St. David Merchants their Accounts Current for the Year 1750 Vizt.

    No. 1. Nella Tomby Chitty &ca. Merchants.
    2. Irshapah Chitty &ca. Merchants.
    3. Andeapah Modellaree &ca. Merchants.
    4. Govinda Chitty &ca. Merchants.
    5. Tremungalum Comrapah & Linga Chitty.

53. Musters of Gold & Silver Containing Viz[t].

Arcot Rupees 8
Madras Pagodas 2
Current Pagodas 3

54. List of military on the Coast, Their Arrival, Entring, & Renewing their Contracts.

55. Fort S[t]. George Papers Viz[r].

N°. 1. List of Marriages, Christnings, Births & Burials.
2. Surgeons Inden[t]. for Medicines.
3. Surgeons List of Deaths.
4. Calculate of the Expences & Revenues with the Accompt[ts]. Remarks.
5. Account Current of the Investment.
6. Tellisingah Chittee & Nella Moota } Their Acco[ts]. Current.
7. Suncha Ramah & Umbaltaddy Chittee } Their Acco[ts]. Current.
8. Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah and Nella Chittee } Their Acco[ts]. Current.
9. Abstract of the Sea Customs.
10. Abstract of the Land Customs.
11. Abstract of the Weighing Duty.
12. Extract of the Town Duty.
13. Abstract of the S[t]. Thomé Revenues.

56. Letters & Plans frô M[r]. Robins.

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CH[S]. BOURCHIER
Sec[ty].

GENERAL LETTER TO THE COMPANY, DATED FEBRUARY 24, 1751.

[*Public Despatches to England, vol. 18, pp. 84–88.*]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS
FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY
OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES.

HONOURABLE

1. We now Dispatch the Norfolk to your Honours, with her full Tonnage, she arrived here from Bengal the 7th. Instant. By her you will receive Duplicate of Our Advices ℔ Severn, who Sail'd the 8th.

2. The Swallow proceeded to the Bay the 10th. Instant, M[r]. Robins took his Passage on her, he purposes Returning here in April, M[r]. Charles Hopkins likewise Embark'd for Metchlipatam, and Diu Island.

3. In the Packet comes an Address, which by a Letter from Anjengo of the 22[d]. Ultimo we were desired to forward you.

4. The London and True Briton Sail'd from Tellicherry the 9th. Ultimo, the Lord Anson and Bombay Grab are waiting there as a Convoy.

5. We must Request you will send us a larger Supply of Medicines, as the number of Our Sick in the Hospitals are many more than formerly.

6. The Warehouse Keeper representing to the Board that a small Quantity of Pepper remaining in the Warehouse was Damaged. As that Article was in great Demand it was Ordered to be put up at Outcry & produced Pagodas 722–19–9 or Pagodas 54–21–48 ℔ Candy.

7. We have now remaining on hand about six hundred Bales, which will be Cured in time to Return the Swallow to you the Latter End of May.

8. By the returning Conveyances to Vizagapatam and Ingeram, we have Supplied those Factorys wth. Rupees Ninety six thousand and Pagodas Ten thousand, & shall shortly send a further Supply of Pagodas. This we hope will enable them to go on vigorously with their Investment and should Affairs take a favourable turn in this Province the Merchants promise largely.

9. We have acquainted your Honour's with the late Revolutions by the Death of Nazar Jing and the Steps we had taken, induced thereto from the best Judgment we could then make, by what we could Learn from the Camp before Pondicherry; Though this Treachery was agreeable to the Disaffected Party in Nazars Jings Camp who had been bribed by the French, yet when it was perceived a French Settlement was become the Metropolis of the Province, every thing was Governed by their Councils, The Treasure and Jewells mostly Possessed by them, and several large Districts were to be Granted, it occasion'd a great Discontent and Murmuring and it was whispered that as soon as Mustapha Jing should have pass'd the Bounds of this Province it would break out into a Flame, Sensible of this He Engaged a French Escort and had March'd as far as Rachooty a Country under the Government of the Cuddapah Nabob about five days distant from Arcot, when We Learn from Our Vackeel at Arcot that the Cuddapah & Cundanore Nabobs first shewed their Resentment, Mustapha Jing having contrary to his promise March'd through their Country, by which means it became Subject to the plunder of the Morattas. They Seiz'd some French Horse and stoped their Ammunition which brought on a General Engagement, wherein Mustapha Jing and part of the French were Kill'd on one Side, and on the other the Cundanore & Servanah Nabobs lost their Lives; Nizam Ally Cawn, Nazar Zings Brother was proclaim'd, He is by Slow Marches proceeding to Golcondah. 'Tis said the Friends of the Cudapah and Condanore Nabobs are raising Forces to oppose him. What Effect this may have on the Arcot Province We cannot say, Nizam Ally Cawn is a Youth of Eighteen Years, several of the French Party are near him and whether to Extirpate the whole Family of Nazam would not be acceptable at Court, is a matter of Speculation. Mahomud Ally Cawn is safe at Trechenopoly, who we have advised to push his Interest at Court, and Raise Troops to Oppose his Enemies.

10. It is a Satisfaction to Us to observe to Your Honours that the Measures we have pursued have at least prevented the Province from falling entirely under French Councils, and was it in the Power of the Country Government to Settle their own Affairs, we might now hope to see the Country once more in a flourishing Condition, but this is not to be Effected; 'tis with Concern that with the greatest Confidence we can assure you, the French Plan is to Seize what part of the Province they find necessary to their Interest without the least regard to the Laws of Nations. The late Action has no doubt given a Check to their Schemes, but they are still Resolved to Support Chunda Saib in his Pretensions to the Arcot Government, and will probably Insist on the Places Granted them by Mustapha Jing, which will be the Occasion of further Troubles We can only beg leave to Refer your Honours to Our Request on this Subject.

11. Our Officer on Command at Tanjore writes that One of Our Colours had been taken down, & that upon Demanding the Reason, the Reply of the French was that it was done by the Country People.

12. By the Master of a Vessell from Metchlipatam, We are inform'd the French have turn'd your Factory into an Hospital for their Sick.

13. We hear they have hoisted their Colours at Narsipore a Fort near Your Settlement at Madapollam and its Reported they pretend to an exclusive Right to the River, which must be of great prejudice to your Affairs there.

14. After the Death of Nazar Jing on the Strength of a Grant from Mustapha Jing they Planted their Colours just at the Limits of your Bounds.

15. As the above are at present and may be of greater inconvenience to your Affairs, we thought it Our Duty to take notice of them; We have therefore Protested against Mr. Duplex and his Council and Demanded a Suitable Satisfaction.

16. Agreeable to what advised your Honours ℘ Severn, we wrote the Gentlemen at Madras to make enquiry of the worth of your Farms, that they might be Lett but receiveing no Satisfactory Answer, we have accordingly Lett the Undermention'd for One Year.

	PAG^s.
Beetle & Tobacco farm for	4,000
Measuring Duty	1,000
Town Brokerage	700

Esteeming it much better than their Remaining of no Service to You.

17. By the Success Galley we Complied with the West Coast Indent, as far as was in Our Power, and by a future Conveyance shall Supply them for the Rice Indented for.

18. On the 3^d Instant M^r. Thomas Eyre one of your late Council at Fort S^t. George died there.

19. Agreeable to your Orders now go in the Packett by this Ship, Translates of the Several Phirm^ds, at Fort S^t. George and this Place. Many that were at Fort S^t. George when the Town was taken being Missing, a List of them is Annex'd to the Translates of those remaining there.

20. In the Salt-Petre by the Norfolk from Bengal, there is a deficiency of Eight Candys, two Maunds fifteen Pounds and a half; Our Warehouse keeper demanding of Capt. Hancock to make good the same, He Requested it might be referred to you, as he apprehended the greater part was yet on board his Ship; The bags it was sent in from Bengal, being so bad that it was impossible to stow them away without their breaking.

21. We have not heard any thing further of his Majestys Ships since Our last Advices, The Danes Ship from Europe arrived at Tranquebar a few days ago.

22. On this Ship three of Our Military who have served Out their Contracted Time's and are Incapable of Duty, are sent home as Charterparty Passengers.

23. A French Ship Sail'd from Pondicherry for Europe a few Days ago. with three hundred & ten Bales of Calicoes Sixty Tonns of Pepper and twenty of Redwood.

24. The amount of this Ship's Invoice is Pagodas, Sixty nine thousand nine hundred & sixty, twenty six fanams & forty three Cash, (69960. 26. 43) and of the Register of Diamonds & Precious stones Licenced by her, Pagodas, One hundred & three thousand, eight hundred & forty eight, Ten fanams & Eight cash 103848. 10. 8).

We are

FORT S^r. DAVID — Honourable,

24TH FEBRUARY 1750/1. — Your Faithful hum̃. Servants

THO^s. SAUNDERS.
RICH^D. STARKE.
CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
GEORGE PIGOT.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
ALEX^R. WYNCH.

POSTSCRIPT.

The Bills now drawn on your Honour's by the Norfolk Payable at Ninety days sight and your Stated Exchanges to the undermention'd Persons, and the Certificates, we have Granted are as follow.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE.

Dated s d

1750/51—For COMPANYS SERVANTS. &ca. at 7 8 ℔ Paga.

Dated	Sett		Pags.	Fa.	Ca.		£	s	d
23d. Febry	1	To Stringer Lawrence Esqr. or Order value of Foss Westcott & Alexr. Wynch	500	9	58		191	15	4
	1	To Francis Magnus or Order value of John Pybus ...	104	12	41		40	—	—
	1	To Richard Wood or Order value of Richd. Starke	443	17	17		170	—	—
	3	Setts amounting to	1048	3	36	or	401	15	4

Four hundred & One Pounds fifteen Shillings & four pence Sterling for which we have received into your Cash here, One thousand forty eight Pagodas, three fanams, and thirty Six cash.

CERTIFICATES.

Ditto ...	1	For Forty three Pagodas, thirty three fanams, and Seventy six Cash, received of Robert Sloper and Dawsonne Drake on Account the Estate of Charles Savage Norris Deceased	43	33	76
	1	For Five thousand Pagodas received of Capt Nathanl. Hancock of Ship Norfolk on Account of his Adventure outward bound, and the Profits therein	5000	—	—
	1	For Seventy Seven Pagodas four fanams, Twenty Seven Cash, received of John Pybus on Account of Capt. Robert Hanslapp of Ship Montfort his Adventure Outward bound and the produce thereof.	77	4	27
	3	Setts amounting to ... ... Pags.	5121	2	23

Five thousand One hundred and Twenty One Pagodas Two fanams and twenty three Cash.

We are

FORT ST. DAVID
24TH. FEBRUARY 1750/1

HONOURABLE

Your Faithfull humble Servants

THOS. SAUNDERS.
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ALEXR. WYNCH.

... ...

Register of Diamonds and Precious Stones &ca. Licenced by the President & Council of Fort St. David to be shipp'd on the Norfolk Captain Nathaniel Hancock by the following Persons in return for Coral and on other Accounts, Vizt.

		By William Smyth King & Levy Moses Consign'd to Levy Reuben Salomons or Order.			
L.R.S.	N°. 5	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a box of Jewells mark'd MBH. N°. 5 ⅌ Sandwich 1749	4168	5	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to Aaron & Solomon Norden Junr. or Order.			
A.S.N.	N°. 8	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part return for three Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 7, 8, 9 ⅌ Portfield 1750	1500	—	—
		By Ditto consign'd to David Levy or Order.			
D.L.	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part for five Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 @ 5 ⅌ Lapwing, Portfield and Prince Edward 1750	2000	—	—
		By Ditto consign'd to Henry Isaack or Order.			
HI.	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part for three Chests of Silver Do. mark No. 4, 5, 6 ⅌ Portfield 1750	1500	—	—
		By William Smyth King & Levy Moses Consign'd to Joseph Salomons or Order.			
IS	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver Do. mark & number ⅌ Lapwing 1750	1526	11	28
		By Ditto Consign'd to Lucas Steinman or Order.			
IS.	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part return for three Chests of Silver mark'd MBH No. 1, 2, 3 ⅌ Portfield, London, and Kent 1750	1208	14	50
		By Ditto Consign'd to John Sarjent or Order.			
SCL.	N°. 7	One Bulse of Diamonds in further Part return for 2 Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 6 & 7 ⅌ Prince Edward 1750 ...	1000	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd Samuel Hartog Levy or Order.			
SH.	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part return for two Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 & 2 ⅌ Portfield 1750	1000	—	—
		By Levy Moses Consign'd to Assur Isaac Levy.			
MP	N°. 6	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for one Chest of Silver mark'd MPRL N°. 2 ⅌ Grantham	1098	32	—
		Carried over Pagodas ...	15,003	6	78

		Brought over Pagodas ...	15,003	6	78
		By Ditto Consign'd to Levy & Reuben Solomons & Henry Moses.			
H LRS M	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for three Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1, 2 3 ℘ Portfield	2687	1	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to Nathan Salomons.			
NS.	N°. 5	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for two Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 & 2 ℘ Lapwing	1670	34	24
		By Ditto Consign'd to David Levy.			
DL.	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for one chest of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 ℘ Portfield	828	31	37
		By William Perceval & Levy Moses Consign'd to Nathan Salomons.			
NS	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for 2 Chests of Silver D°. mark N . 6 & 7 ℘ Grantham	1187	21	63
		By Joseph Fowke Consign'd to Jacob Salvador or Assigns.			
SB	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ℘ Wager 1748	904	29	29
SB	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Rough Coral D°. mark & number ℘ Marlbrô 1746	431	4	52
RE	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ℘ Griffin 1749	907	25	6
RE	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ℘ Griffin 1749	983	7	31
SB	N°. 8	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ℘ Houghton 1746	964	3	39
S S B F	N°. 6	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ℘ Severn 1749	1139	21	20
		By Ditto Consign'd to Joseph Mendez Senr. or Assigns			
IM	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Box of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ℘ Montfort 1749	754	1	70
		By Ditto Consignd to Moses & Isaac Mondez			
MM	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver q^ts^. 2000 Ozs D°. mark & number ℘ Grantham 1750	1211	4	49
		Carried over Pagodas ...	28,671	33	18

		Brought over Pagodas ...	28,671	33	18
		By Ditto Consign'd to Joachim Moses or Assigns			
IF	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver q^ts. 2000 Ozs D°. mark & number ꝑ Portfield 1750	1231	7	12
		By Ditto Consign'd to David Levy			
DL	N°. 6 & 7	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for Ditto Chests of Silver q^ts. 3900 Ozs. ꝑ Lynn & Benjamin 1750	2402	28	35
		By Ditto Consign'd to John Horne or Assigns			
IH	N°. 1 & 6	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for Ditto Chests of Silver q^ts. 3500 Ozs ꝑ Portfield & Grantham 1750	1042	—	—
		By Ditto Consign'd to John Danl. Dreyer or Assigns			
[illegible]	N°. 2 & 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for Ditto Chests of Silver q^ts. 7441 Ozs. 5 dwts. ꝑ Benjamin & Grantham 1750	1042	—	—
		By Solomon & Moses Salomons Consign'd to Samson Gideon			
SC	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full returns for a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Augusta 1749	1868	12	60
		By Ditto Consign'd to Aron Goldsmid			
SM S	N°. 5	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return of a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Severn 1749	1345	24	46
		By Ditto Consign'd to Abraham Heyman Levy.			
AHL	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in full return for a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Severn 1749	1074	18	16
		By David Lopez Fernandes & Samuel De Castro Consign'd to Benjamin Mendez Da Costa.			
BMC	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... Of which	2553	1	35
		P^s. 840. 13. 36 is in full return for a Chest of Coral mark'd BR N°. 13 ꝑ Salisbury 1746.			
		P^s. 333. 25. 34 is in full return for a Chest of Coral mark'd ✡ N°. 20 ꝑ Salisbury 1746.			
		P^s. 761. 0. 16 is in full return for a Chest of Coral mark'd (T.B) N°. 3 ꝑ Sandwich 1749.			
		Carried over Pagodas ...	41,250	9	62

		Brought over Pagodas ...	41,251	17	62
		Ps. 432. 2. 75 is in full return for a Chest of Coral mkd S B (M above, F below) No. 4 ꝑ Wager 1748.			
		Ps. 185. 31. 34 is in full return for a Chest of Coral mkd ✡ No. 6 ꝑ Cæsar 1747.			
BMC	No. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... Of which	1815	25	7
		Ps. 740. 32. 5 is in full return for a Chest of Coral mark'd ME No. 4 ꝑ Salisbury 1746.			
		Ps. 1074. 29. 2 is in full return for a Chest of Coral mark'd M A No. 1 ꝑ Estcourt 1746.			
		By Ephraim Isaac Consign'd to Henry Isaac or Order.			
HI	No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Returns for Eight Chests of Silver Do. mark No. 1 @ 8 qts. 28000 ꝑ Sandwich, Montfort & Severn 1749	10087	4	40
		By Ephraim Isaac Consign'd to Messrs. Steed & Debonaire or Order.			
SD	No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Returns for three Chests of Silver Containing 12000 Ozs mark'd M B H (E above, I below) No. 1, 2, 3 ꝑ Montfort 1749	4744	33	60
		By Ditto Consign'd to Joseph Salomons or Order.			
IS	No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Returns for two Chests of Silver Do. mark No. 3 & 4 qts. 8000 Ozs ꝑ Montfort 1749 ...	2808	—	—
		By David Lopes Fernandes & Samuel De Castro Consign'd to David De Castro.			
DC	No. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... Of which	950	33	9
		Ps. 600. 33. 9 is in full return of a Chest of Amber Beads mkd MDC No. 1 ꝑ Severn 1749.			
		By Levy Moses Consign'd to Messrs. Levy and Reuben Salomons & Henry Moses.			
H L R S M	No. 5	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Returns for three Chests of Silver Do. mark No. 1, 2, 3 ꝑ Portfield	1459	35	18
		Carried over Pagodas ...	63,118	5	36

		Brought over Pagodas ...	63,118	5	36
		By Ditto Consign'd to Francis Creuze & Henry Moses.			
H F C M	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return for a Chest of Silver D°. mark N°. 2 ꝑ Grantham	831	30	20
🄵 (in diamond)		By Solomons & Moses Salomon Consign'd to Abraham & Jacob Franco.			
A I F	N°. 24	One Bulse of Diamonds Value ... ... Of which	4556	31	59
		P^s. 1405. 14. 11 is in full of the Remains of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd IF N°. 3 ꝑ Sandwich 1749.			
		P^s. 2377. 31. — is in full of the Remains of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd IF N°. 5 ꝑ Augusta 1749.			
		P^s. 773. 22. 48 is in full of a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd R F N°. 2 ꝑ Eastcourt 1748.			
		By Ditto Consign'd to Natal Levi Sonsino.			
N L S	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return of a Chest of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ꝑ Severn 1749	1090	27	14
		By Solomon & Moses Salomons Consign'd to Michael Salomons.			
M S.	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return of a Chest of Silver D°. mark number ꝑ Lapwing 1750	2491	20	10
		By Ditto Consignd to Aaron Franks			
L. ℒ	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return of the Remains of a Chest of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ꝑ Lapwing 1750	1749	26	8
		By Ditto Consign'd to Abraham De Fonseca.			
F F.	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return of a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Portfield 1750	746	19	40
		By Ditto Consignd to Thomas & Joseph Godfrey.			
TG	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return of a Chest of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ꝑ Lapwing 1750	1792	19	6
		By Ditto Consignd to Samuel Hartog Levy			
S HL	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return of a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Lapwing 1750	2157	28	44
		Carried over Pagodas ...	79,625	27	77

		Brought over Pagodas	79,625	27	77
		By Ditto Consign'd to Samuel Ximenes in his absence to Isaac Delmonte.			
I D.	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return of a Chest of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ꝑ Lynn 1750	1631	25	66
		By Ditto Consign'd to Samuel Jacobs.			
◈	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return of a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Portfield 1750	1245	4	5
		By Ditto Consignd to Judah Supino			
ME	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return of a Chest of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ꝑ London 1750	212	31	45
		By Ditto Consignd to Samuel Andries Levy			
S A L.	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Return of a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ Lapwing 1750	310	9	52
		By Ditto Consignd to Leffman Salomon Pollack.			
L S P	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds value	270	35	—
		By Solomon & Moses Salomons Consignd to Daniel Lascelles.			
D L	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	1218	27	42
		By Ditto Consign'd to David Salomons			
H A	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds Value	1066	32	37
		By Joseph Fowke Consignd to Jacob Salvador or Assigns.			
S F B	N°. 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in part returns for a box of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ꝑ Griffin 1749	3173	2	40
		By Ditto Consignd to Joseph Salvador or Assigns.			
E...	N°. 1	One Bulse of Diamonds in full Returns for a box of Coral Beads D°. mark & number ꝑ Kent 1750	2148	9	24
		By Ditto Consignd to John Sarjent and Archibald Sterling			
S S	N°. 1 & 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in part Returns for two Chests of Silver q^ts^. 7425 Ozs D°. mark ꝑ Grantham & Portfield 1750	3003	22	—
		By Joseph Fowke & Ephraim Isaac Consignd to Joseph Salomons or Assigns			
I S	N°. 3 & 4	One Bulse of Diamonds in part Returns for two Chests of Silver q^ts^. 8000 Ozs D°. mark ꝑ Portfield 1750	3046	28	20
		Carried over Pagodas	95,863	10	8

		Brought over Pagodas	95,863	10	8
		By THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ[R]. Consign'd to GEORGE ARNOLD & JOSEPH SALOMONS or ORDER.			
A S	N°. 2 3 4	Three Bulses of Diamonds in further part Returns for four Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1 @ 4 ꝑ Kent and London 1750 ...	3003	—	—
		By DITTO Consign'd to PHILLIP SALOMONS or Order			
P M S	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ London 1750	1001	—	—
		By THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ[R]. Consign'd to JOSEPH SALOMONS & THOMAS COOKE or Order			
S C	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in part Return for a Chest of Silver D°. mark & number ꝑ London 1750	1001	—	—
		By DITTO Consign'd to JOHN SARJENT or Order			
S C L	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in part return for three Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 1. 2. 3 ꝑ Grantham 1750	1001	—	—
		By DITTO Consign'd to NATHAN SALOMONS or Order			
N S	N°. 3	One Bulse of Diamonds in part Returns for two Chests of Silver D°. mark N°. 3 & 4 ꝑ Norfolk 1750	1001	—	—
		By PETER PAUL Consignd to JACOB MOSES MACHORO.			
P P ...	N°. 1	One Bundle of Rubies, Saphires & Pearls ...	550	—	—
		PAGODAS ...	103420	10	8

FORT S[T]. DAVID 24th. FEBRUARY 1750/1

CHA[s]. BOURCHIER *Sec[ty]*.

Since Registering the above

BY THOMAS SAUNDERS ESQ[R]. Consign'd to HERMAN & GODFREY ZURHOST.

H G H	N°. 2	One Bulse of Diamonds in further part Returns for One Chest of Silver mark'd H G H N°. 1 ꝑ Kent 1750	428	—	—

MANIFEST OF MY PRIVATE TRADE SHIPP'D ON BOARD THE NORFOLK AS MY ADVENTURE HOMEWARD BOUND.

Camphyre......51 Tubs Ditto.... 1 hhd	41 Pecul......	Pag[s].	533	—	—

FORT S[T]. DAVID 23[d]. FEBRY 1750.

NATHANIEL HANCOCK.

LETTER TO CAPTAIN N. HANCOCK, DATED FEBRUARY 24, 1751.
[*Public Despatches to England, Vol. 18, page 98.*]

To CAPT NATHANIEL HANCOCK
COMMANDER OF SHIP NORFOLK.

SIR,

You are hereby Ordered to Repair on board your Ship and make the best of your way to the Port of London in Great Britain. The first Port you arrive at in England, you are to send your Purser Overland with the Packet herewith delivered You directed, TO THE HONOURABLE THE COURT OF DIRECTORS FOR AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES AT THEIR HOUSE IN LEADENHALL STREET LONDON, taking Care to write to them yourself, and to give them an Account of any thing Remarkable you may meet with in your Voyage.

If you touch at the Cape it will be acceptable to the Governour & Council of St. Helena, that you Carry them a Supply of Garden Seeds, Plants, &ca.

We wish you a good Voyage and date this in Fort St. David the 24th. day of February 1750/1.

THOS. SAUNDERS.
RICHD. STARKE.
CHARLES BODDAM.
HENRY POWNEY.
GEORGE PIGOT.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
ALEXR. WYNCH.

LIST OF THE HONOURABLE COMPANYS REVENUES AT FORT ST. DAVID, AS THEY HAVE PRODUCED FROM 1ST. JANUARY 1749.50 TO THE 31ST. DECEMBER 1750.

Fix'd Revenues.

BEETLE & TOBACCO FARM.			
The Cowle Granted to Irshapah Chittee & Persham Chittee for 5 Years Commencing 30th. November 1746 ending 30th. November 1751 at four Quarterly Payments ...	1500	—	—
BOUND RENT.			
The Cowle Granted to Sadashavarow for Five Years Commencing 1st. July 1748 Ending 1st. July 1753 at four Quarterly Payments	4000	—	—
WEIGHING & MEASURING DUTY.			
The Cowle Granted to Cootah for Five Years Commencing 1st. November 1746 Ending 1st. November 1751 at four Quarterly Payments	200	—	—
Pags. ...	5700	—	—

Variable Revenues.

MINT CUSTOMS	1531	15	10
SEA CUSTOMS OF CUDDALORE	12173	20	50
LAND CUSTOMS OF CUDDALORE	3419	35	28
SEA & LAND CUSTOMS OF TEVENEPATAM	1277	12	68
Pags. ...	18402	11	76

The following Revenues were Collected till very lately, when they were Farm'd

Deve Cotah	...	6000 — —
Trevendaparum	...	8000 — —
	Pags. ...	14000 — —

Fort St. George.

The Undermentiond Revenues were lately Farmd Out for One Year, As follows.

St. Thomê	℔ Annum	...	4000 — —
Punoomalee	Do.	...	35000 — —
Beetle & Tobacco Farm	Do.	..	4000 — —
Measuring Duty	Do.	...	1000 — —
Arrack & Wine Licence	Do.	...	2500 — —
Town Duty	Do.	...	700 — —
	Pagodas	...	47200 — —

Fort St. David 24th. Febry 1750/1

Chas. Bourchier, *Secty.*

List of Books in the Fort St. David Packet ℔ Norfolk.

No. 1.	Diaries & Consultations ...	1750	From 24 Octobr. To 31 December. 1750.
2.	Ditto ...	1751	From 7 To 24 Febry 1750/1.
3.	Letters Received ...	1750	From 24 Octobr. To 31 December 1750.
4.	Ditto ...	1751	From 7 To 24 Febry 1750/1.
5.	Letters sent ...	1750	From 24 Octob To 31 Decemr. 1750.
6.	Ditto ...	1751	From 7 To 24 Febry 1750/1.
7.	Country Letters Sent & Received ...	1750	From 13 Septr. To 31 Decembr. 1750.
8.	Ditto ...	1751	From 1 Janry To 24 February 1750/1.
9.	Cash Accounts ...	1750	From 1 October To 31 Decemr. 1750.
10.	Ditto ...	1751	From 1 Janry To 24 Febry 1750/1.
11.	Cowles & Commissions to the		24th. February 1750/1.
12.	Ship Book ...	1751	From 7 To 24 Febry 1750/1.
13.	French Correspondence ...	1751	From 7 To 24 Febry 1750/1
14.	Translates of Phirmaunds &ca. at Fort St. David.		
15.	Extraordinary Occurrences.		

16. Duplicate Ambassadors Proceedings.		
17. Export Wareh^{o}. Journal Parcells	From 1 May To 31 Decemb^{r}.	1750.
18. Paymasters Accounts Current ...	From 1 October To 31 Decemb^{r}.	1750.
19. Mint Accounts Current	From 1 October To 31 Decem^{r}.	1750.
20. Cuddalore Customers Acco^{ts}. Current	From 1 October To 31 Decemb^{r}.	1750.
21. Tevenepatam Cutomers Acco^{ts}. Curr^{t}.	From 1 October To 31 December	1750.
22. Storekeepers Receipts Issues & Remains	From 1 May 1750. To 31 Janr̃y 1750/1.	
23. Mil^{y}. Storek^{s}. Receipts Issues & Remains	From 30 April 1750. To 31 Janr̃y 1750/1.	
24. Fort S^{t}. George Storekeeper's Receipts Issues & Remains ...	From 1 Janr̃y 1749/50. To 30 Novem^{r}. 1750.	

25. Translates of Phirmaunds at Fort S^{t}. George, with a List of such as are Missing.

Fort S^{t}. David 24th. Febr̃y 1750/1.

Chas. Bourchier
Secty.

List of Papers in the Fort S^{t}. David Packet ꝑ Norfolk.

N°. 1. General Letter ꝑ Norfolk dated 24th. February 1750/1.
2. Duplicate General Letter ꝑ Severn dated 7th. Febr̃y 1750/1.
3. Triplicate General Letter via Bussorah dated 24th. Janr̃y 1750/1.
4. Triplicate General Letter via Bussorah dated 3^{d}. Novem^{r}. 1750.
5. Triplicate General Letter ꝑ Fort S^{t}. George dated 24th. October 1750.
6. Invoice of the Norfolks Cargo amounting to Pagodas 69960. 26. 43.
7. Duplicate Invoice of the Severns Cargo, am^{tg}. to Pag^{s} 89896. 27. 61.
8. First Bill of Lading for the Norfolks Cargo.
9. Second Bill of Lading for the Severns Cargo.
10. Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones Licenced ꝑ Norfolk.
11. Duplicate Register of Diamonds & Precious Stones Licenced ꝑ Severn.
12. Manifest of Presents ꝑ Norfolk.
13. Calculate of the Norfolks Tonnage.
14. List of Packing Stuff on 953 Bales ꝑ Norfolk.
15. Muster Roll of the Norfolks Crew.
16. List of the Norfolk's Ordnance & Warlike Stores.
17. Abstract of the Norfolks Bengal Invoice.
18. Account Tonnage Laden on the Norfolk from Bengal.
19. Captain Hancocks Manifest of Private Trade.
20. Captain Hancock's Bill of Lading for Salt Petre with the Deficiency Endorsed.
21. Copy of the Norfolks Dispatch.
22. Indent for the Assay Office for 1752.
23. Duplicate Indent for Woolen Goods for 1752.
24. Duplicate Indent of Woolen Goods for Use & Sale for 1752.
25. Duplicate Indent for Stores for Sale & Use for 1752.

26. Triplicate Indent for Medicines.
27. Triplicate Indent for Military Stores for 1752.
28. Export Warehouse Account Remains.
29. Import Warehouse Account Remains.
30. List of Revenues from 1st. January 1749/50 to 31st. Decemr. 1750.
31. Calculate of Quick Stock to the 31st. December 1750.
32. Price Current.
33. Returns of the Garrisons on the Coast.
34. Muster Roll of Peons in Fort St. David.
35. List of Covenanted Servants on the Coast of Choromandel.
36. List of Inhabitants at Fort St. David.
37. List of Persons who have Died under the Care of the Surgeons with their Distempers to the 25th. Janry 1750/1.
38. Register of Births, Christnings, Marriages & Burials.
39. List of Allowances to the Compys Servants both Civil & Military.
40. Captain Dorrill's 2d. Receipt for the Model of a Gun.
41. Certificate Relating to Mr. Andrews at Ganjam.
42. Attested Copies of Receipts for Arrack Issued to His Majesty's Troops at Pondicherry.
43. The Captain of the Severn's 2d. Receipt for the Packets.
44. List of Books in the Packet ℘ Norfolk.

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    - 2. Irshapah Chittee &ca. Merchants.
    - 3. Andeapah Modellaree &ca. Merchants.
    - 4. Govindah Chitty &ca. Merchants.
    - 5. Tremungalum Comrapah & Linga Chitty.
46. DUPLICATE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF ACCOUNTS, WITH THE SEVERAL PAPERS REFERRED TO THEREIN.
47. GENERAL LETTER FROM ANJENGO.
48. FORT ST. GEORGE DUPLICATE PAPERS VIZT.
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    - 2. Surgeons Indent for Medicines.
    - 3. Surgeon's List of Death's.
    - 4. Calculate of the Expences and Revenues with the Accountants Remarks.
    - 5. Account Current of the Investment.
    - 6. Tellisingah Chitty & Nella Moota ... ... } their Accots. Current.
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